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Replacement sought as Morford retires

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The City of Grayling is now accepting applications for the position of City Manager, which will be open in October due to the retirement of current manager Jerry Morford.

Morford, who has served as Grayling City Manager for over 27 years, is retiring this year effective October 1.

Applications for the City Manager position can be dropped off at the Grayling City Office located at 103 S. James, C/O Ralph Stevens.

Chamber of Commerce removes city's board rep

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

On Monday, August 30, City Manager Jerry Morford informed the Grayling City Council that he has been removed from the Chamber of Commerce Board as an ex-officio (non-voting) member, according to a letter he had received from the Chamber to that effect.

"How does someone get canned as a non-voting member?" responded Mayor Ralph Stevens.

Chamber President Monte Burmeister spoke on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce, stating that Morford had missed the past five monthly board meetings, which under the Chamber's by-laws is cause for removal.

"(Board members) may be considered resigned from that position if they don't attend on a regular basis," said Burmeister. "This was a by-laws decision."

Morford said he has attended numerous committee meetings as part of his involvement with the Chamber over the past few months, and "the only meetings I missed were the monthly board meetings, and I had good reasons for missing those."

Morford also voiced his disapproval of the manner in which the removal was handled, stating that no one from the Chamber approached him about the matter, and he received no explanation for the action other than what was contained in the letter.

"The letter went out in my absence, and if I had been here it would have been handled different-

ly," said Burmeister. "But the letter would have still gone out."

Burmeister said Morford would be able to continue his work with the committees despite removal from the board, and assured the city it is still welcome to participate in Chamber business.

"We want a representative from the city there, and we want them to participate," said Burmeister.

Burmeister said the City Council can appoint another representative to serve on the Chamber Board as a non-voting member.

"Ex-officio members are appointed as a courtesy," he said. "The city appoints the member to fill that position."

Also included in the discussion was the matter of the city paying its annual Chamber dues.

Mayor Stevens suggested that maybe the city shouldn't have to pay dues to the Chamber since it participates with "in-kind" services, including providing use of city property for the Chamber of Commerce building.

"This is such a small amount," said Council member Marilyn Palmer, regarding the Chamber dues. "This is how the Chamber gets their money."

Palmer moved to pay the \$265 and "stay on the board." The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

Mayor Stevens suggested the council let the matter cool off before appointing another ex-officio board member.

"I guess we can let it lay for a while now that we've paid our dues," he said.

The cause is paws



ANNUAL FUND RAISER - Animal loving volunteers walked dogs and cats last Sunday morning, September 5, to raise money to help with operating costs of the Animal Shelter of Crawford County. The annual Labor Day Dog Walk-Athon is the shelter's major fund-raiser. According to shelter Director Dixie Lobsinger, as with everything else in 1999, pledges are down for the event.

Make A Difference in '99

October 23 marks the ninth annual "Make A Difference Day." It is a day when friends, relatives, neighbors, and co-workers join together with non-profit organizations, schools, religious institutions, local businesses and service clubs to take part in community projects. It is a day when the spirit of volunteerism can be rallied into a year-round commitment to making a difference in our communities through volunteering.

Last year, nearly two million volunteers nationwide participated in Make A Difference Day projects in communities across the country.

Michigan sponsors include: Council of Michigan Foundations,

Michigan Campus Compact, Michigan Community Service Commission (MCSC), MSU Extension, Michigan Family Independence Agency, Volunteer Centers of Michigan, and United Way of Michigan.

To assist and encourage volunteers, the MCSC has announced the availability of project planning packets that provide valuable planning tips, a local list of Make A Difference Day contacts, and a project entry form.

For more information, or to request a project planning packet, call the Michigan Community Service Commission at (517) 335-4295.

Details of drug buys part of Frederic bust

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

A month-long investigation of a suspected drug trafficker in Frederic Township prompted law enforcement officials to obtain a search warrant for a residence at 6353 Brown Street.

A search of the home was conducted on Wednesday, September 1 by Crawford County Sheriff's Deputies, the Michigan State Police K-9 unit from the Gaylord Post and STING officers.

Seized from the home of the unidentified 32-year old Frederic man were about six pounds of mari-

juana, measuring scales, detailed records of multiple marijuana buyers and \$4,000 in cash. According to Sheriff David Lovely, the suspected drug dealer was not home for the execution of the search warrant and remains at large.

Warrants have been issued in the suspect's name, charging him with intent to sell/deliver marijuana -- carrying a penalty of up to four years in prison and a maximum fine of \$20,000.

Due to the amount of detailed information gathered from the dealer's records, Lovely said the investigation will continue.

Frederic man charged in dog shooting case

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

A Frederic man is free on personal bond pending his arraignment, after a one-count warrant was issued and his subsequent arrest was made in the case of the shooting death of a neighborhood dog.

The *Avalanche* received information last week concerning the dog's death, and reported the facts as known.

Upon further investigation, the story of the dog's death changed dramatically after the article was published.

According to Deputy Tom Coors of the Crawford County Sheriff's Department, he answered a complaint made by Michael Girard of Frederic Township regarding the shooting.

Upon his arrival at the Frederic Township Hall and questioning witnesses, Coors found the dog had been shot in the head at "point blank range" near a local craft shop and dragged to the township hall by Barry Mertes.

Coors said the dog was first shot on the suspect's property and, after it wandered a short distance toward the craft shop, the suspect fired the fatal shot. Coors said Frederic Township Supervisor Brian Hulbert witnessed Mertes "shooting at the ground," but didn't realize he was shooting a dog until Mertes dragged the dog to the hall, requesting the township dispose of the animal.

Jake was a border collie mix and belonged to Linda and Larry Welch

of Frederic. "I was in court that day when Jake got lose from his pen," Linda said. "I had that dog from the time he was a pup. He was very 'skittish,' afraid of most people and he slept with me every night."

Cynthia Britten, a friend of Linda's, said she witnessed the shooting.

Still upset by the incident, Britten said angrily, "Barry Mertes was carrying around a gun in broad daylight in the city of Frederic... I saw him sitting on his car in the park watching Jake... He stalked that dog... He walked over by the craft shop and shot Jake... I followed him in my car as he drug that dog to the township hall. I'm willing to take the stand in court and tell 'em what I saw."

Britten said Jake didn't deserve to die, he wasn't mean and he wouldn't have bit anyone. Britten told the investigating officer that she only remembers hearing one shot, but Britten also told *The Avalanche*, "I know Tom Coors and he was not there." Deputy Coors said he was indeed the investigating officer the morning of August 26 and, according to the Sheriff's report, he was the officer that answered the complaint.

Coors said he advised the suspect of the illegalities of shooting a dog, regardless of where it is found and in what condition it may be. But, Coors said, "We have a helluva problem out there with animal control. We have to handle the larcenies, B&E's, and accidents before we can go out on an animal control call."

Road Board considers adoption of cost sharing policy

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The Road Commission for Crawford County's board is currently considering the adoption of a "local road cost sharing policy," which if approved would allocate a specified amount of money each year for townships to use in local road projects.

Under the proposal, townships in the county would have the option of using their share of the Road Commission's budgeted amount for road projects, but have to match the amount with the commission 50/50.

For example, a township could work with the Road Commission on a \$10,000 project, and the township would be responsible for \$5,000.

A benefit of the system, which was proposed to the board by Road Commission Managing Director Don Babcock, is that townships will know they have a certain amount of money to work with, and they will know what their share of the total project cost will be, said Babcock.

"This way they will have the opportunity to do some planning,"

he said.

The policy also helps the Road Commission's ability to plan, especially with regard to budgeting.

In researching the Road Commission's contributions to local road projects in the past few years, Babcock found that the amount many times varied widely from year to year. With the cost sharing policy in place, the Road Commission would have a set amount within the budget, bringing yearly project costs to a more even level.

In preparing a draft of the budget for the start of the Road Commission's '99-00 fiscal year (October 1, 1999) Babcock included \$150,000 for the township cost sharing program, of which each township would have a share.

The final amount, as well as the decision whether or not to even adopt the plan, is up to the Road Commission Board.

Babcock first introduced the proposal to the board in January of this year, and board members have responded in favor of the plan.

"I think we're heading in the right

direction," said Commissioner Robert Nelson. "We've got to get more township participation."

The board must approve the cost sharing policy before it adopts the budget, if the policy is to be implemented for the next fiscal year, since the proposed budget does con-

tain money for the allocation system.

The commissioners have scheduled their annual budget hearing for Thursday, September 16, at 11 a.m., at which public questions or comments regarding the budget are welcome.

Sheriff reports usual Labor Day weekend problems... well, almost

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

Nine out of 20 public peace complaints handled by the Crawford County Sheriff's Department over the last week, occurred during the busy Labor Day weekend on Saturday, September 4.

"We were dealing with a lot of drinking out there," said Sheriff David Lovely.

Labor Day weekend usually marks the end of the summer tourist season and each year last minute revelers keep Lovely's deputies and other law enforcement agencies

busy handling the party atmosphere.

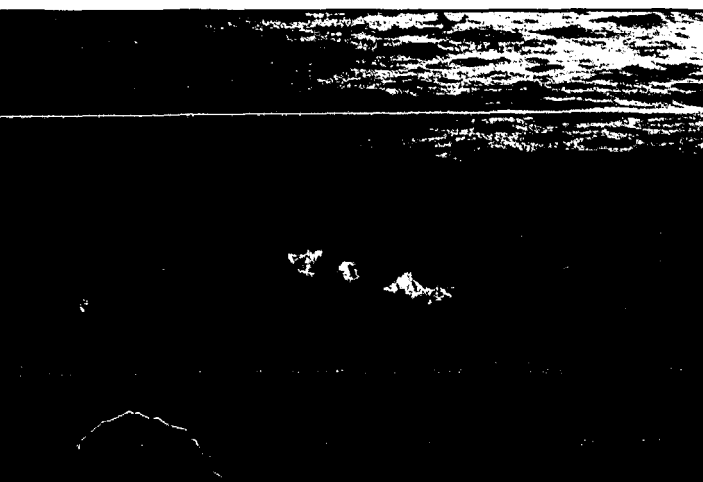
Lovely stated that nothing unusual happened, except for an anonymous cell phone call received about 9:30 p.m. on Sunday, September 5.

According to his report, the caller told Central Dispatch there was a woman standing on the side of the road on Old U.S. 27 North, at Batterson Road, exposing her breasts to traffic.

"You don't run into that very often," Lovely said chuckling.

By the time officers Niederhouse and Parker arrived at the scene, the woman was gone.

Ingenuity cures boredom



FUN IN THE SUN - To break the monotony of a Labor Day weekend of skiing, tubing, and wave running, Pat and Mick McNamara of Eagle Point decided to build a poor man's wave chair. After some engineering changes, it worked pretty well.

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ACC303	Intermediate Accounting III	Monday	6:00-9:25
MGT360	Selection and Training	Monday	6:00-9:25
MTH135	Introduction to Algebra	Monday	6:00-9:25
ACC330	Federal Taxation I	Tuesday	6:00-9:25
CIS101	Computer Information Processing	Tuesday	6:00-9:25
COM121	College Writing I	Tuesday	6:00-9:25
MGT371	Compensation	Tuesday	6:00-9:25
LAW211	Legal Environments of Business	Wednesday	6:00-9:25
MKT301	Principles of Marketing	Wednesday	6:00-9:25
MKT350	Channel Strategies/Distribution Mgt.	Wednesday	6:00-9:25
SOC210	General Psychology	Wednesday	6:00-9:25
ACC311	Cost Accounting I	Thursday	6:00-9:25
MGT300	Principles of Management	Thursday	6:00-9:25
MGT306	Human Resource Management	Thursday	6:00-9:25
IDS485	Interdisciplinary Seminar	Thursday	6:00-9:25
ACC435	Comprehensive Accounting & Auditing Review	Saturday	9:30-4:30

(ACC435 will be held for 5 weeks. Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 1999)
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Local seniors volunteer recognized at RSVP dinner

KEEPING IN STEP -
(Right) The Milltown Follies dance group performed at the Retired Senior and Volunteer Program's (RSVP) 26th Annual Recognition Dinner held August 22.

Submitted by Renee Argue
RSVP Director

On August 22, the Retired Senior and Volunteer Program (RSVP) held its 26th Annual Recognition Dinner to honor senior volunteers of Crawford and Roscommon Counties.

There were 140 in attendance and the Milltown Follies performed for the event.

Camp Shawano made two beautiful cakes and local businesses donated gifts and prizes to show their appreciation for senior volunteers.

Elizabeth Pamerleau, who has been a volunteer for 20 years, was crowned Queen of Crawford County and Millicent Quail was crowned Queen of Roscommon County.

Many senior volunteers received their 5-, 10-, 15- and 20-year pins. They were recognized for their dedication and service, making their communities a better place to live.



QUEENS - (Right) From left, RSVP Secretary Connie Haskin and Director Renee Argue name Millicent Quail Queen of Roscommon County and Elizabeth Pamerleau Queen of Crawford County at the 1999 Recognition Dinner.



Hearing and foot clinics available Senior Center

A representative from Long's Hearing Health Care, in Traverse City, will visit the Crawford County Commission on Aging Senior Center every first and third Wednesday from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Free hearing tests, screenings, cleaning and tuning will be offered.

For an appointment, call 1-877-938-0115.

A nurse from Amicare will visit the Senior Center the second Thursday of each month to provide a foot care clinic. The cost is \$12.

For an appointment, call (517) 348-7123.

Youth Advisory Council offers grants, mini grants

The Crawford County Committee of North Central Michigan Community Foundation (NCMCF) has grant applications available for their fall grant cycle. Mini grant requests for up to \$300 and common grant requests for up to \$1,000 will be considered.

The Ogemaw, Roscommon, Crawford Area Youth Advisory Council (ORCA YAC) will also be

accepting grant applications during this cycle. The YAC will accept both mini grant requests and common grant requests.

Applicants must be recognized as or sponsored by a non-profit, charitable organization with 501(c)(3) status. Deadline for application is September 30, 1999.

Determinations will be made within 60 days of the application deadline.

Information, guidelines, and applications are available by calling Shari Lyn Ankney at (517) 275-3112 or Dr. Carolyn DiPonio at (517) 348-9547.

Area schools continue box top fund-raiser

At least three schools in the Crawford AuSable School District will continue to participate in the "Box Tops for Education" fund-raising program, sponsored by General Mills.

The program helps accredited public, private, parochial, military and home school associations, K-8, in the United States and Puerto Rico, that have a 501(c)(3) or 509(a)(1) tax-exempt designation to help support children's education.

The entire community, not just parents, friends and relatives, can help with the fund-raiser by collecting the logos from General Mills

cereals, snacks, Betty Crocker fruit snacks, Yoplait yogurt multipacks, Yoplait Go-GURT, Lloyd's Barbeque Buckets and General Mills Foodservice products.

Schools will receive 10 cents for every box top that is collected to raise money toward the purchase of items not covered by school budgets.

AuSable Primary, Grayling Elementary, and Grayling Middle School are all participating in the Box Tops for Education program. Logos can be mailed to or dropped off at any of these schools. For more information or to contact a school coordinator, call Michele at 348-2661.

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Correction

An article in the September 2 edition of *The Avalanche* regarding the Skyline Ski Area stated that the Skyline restaurant and lounge "are now open from 12 noon to 12 midnight, 7 days a week, year round." The restaurant and lounge, however, are still being remodeled, and will not be open until November, at which time they do plan to be open 12-12, 7 days/week, year round. The *Avalanche* apologizes for the error.

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Crawford AuSable Schools welcome new staff members

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

Staff and faculty members new to Crawford AuSable School District (CASD) were officially welcomed August 27 by Superintendent Kent Reynolds and the entire district at what has become an annual back-to-school pep rally of sorts in Grayling High School's Stripe Auditorium.

Each new staff member was issued a questionnaire to fill out and return to *The Avalanche*, five of which were returned to us. The following is information taken from those questionnaires.

Meredith Anderson is teaching Reading Comprehension, Freshman Composition and Freshman Literature at Grayling High School. She is also the Freshman Class Advisor and advisor to the staff of the school's newspaper, *The Norseman*.

Anderson earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Western Michigan University, with a major in English and a minor in Physical Education. She also earned a Master of Arts degree in Secondary Education from Saginaw Valley State University.

Over the course of three years, Anderson taught English to students in grades 9, 11, and 12 at Troy High School, was a substitute teacher for one year for Gaylord Community Schools and Johannesburg-Lewiston Area Schools, and served as the lifeguard/swim instructor at the Otsego County Sportsplex for one year.

Anderson comes from a family of teaching. Her father is a teacher in the Utica Community Schools and her mother is a retired teacher. Anderson also married into a family with teaching experience. Husband Eric's father recently retired from teaching at Gaylord High School and his mother is a first grade teacher at South Maple Elementary in Gaylord. Eric is part owner of Jim's Alpine Auto in Gaylord.

The new teacher feels a connection to Grayling because aunt and uncle live on the AuSable River and she has attended many concerts and performances at the high school.

Anderson said she enjoys enriching her life with reading, fly fishing, aerobics and scrapbooking.

When asked why she wanted to work in CASD/Grayling, she responded, "I needed a job! But, truly, though the opportunity arose and I had heard some great things about GHS and thought GHS might be a place where I would like to teach."

Asked about her philosophy of education, she said, "I believe that all students have the right to learn, however it is their choice to exercise that right in order to be successful."

Anderson concluded, "After one year of subbing, it feels great to be back in the classroom! Everyone at GHS/CASD has made me feel welcome -- almost as if I've been a part of the district for years. I look forward to many productive and successful years with CASD/GHS."

Sara Bobenmoyer is now serving as the school district's psychologist and will be visiting each school throughout the year.

After graduating from Grayling High School in 1993, Bobenmoyer earned her Bachelor of Science



Photo by Cheryl Ruley

NEW SCHOOL FACULTY -- The Crawford AuSable Schools officially welcomed their new faculty members at Superintendent Kent Reynold's annual "pep rally" for staff, Friday, August 27. Front row, from left: Meredith Anderson (GHS English Department), Eileen Papendick (AuSable Primary secretary), Susan Sturock (Frederic Elementary principal), LaRissa Deemer (GHS/GMS student teacher). Back row, from left: Paul Johnson (GHS temporary Business Tech teacher), Sara Bobenmoyer (school psychologist), Kathryn Olson (GMS Math Department), Jeff Branch (GMS assistant principal). Not shown: Heather Millikin (student teacher), Robin Ryan (Food Service).

degree in Psychology and Family Studies from Central Michigan University (CMU). She also holds Preliminary Certification as a school psychologist and will be receiving her Specialist Degree in School Psychology in May 2000.

This is Bobenmoyer's first job, but comes with experience after serving a school psychologist internship with Gratiot-Isabella RESD through CMU.

Before starting her service for CASD, Bobenmoyer spent the summer in Wales and named travel as her favorite hobby or interest.

Bobenmoyer said of her employment for the school district, "It will be rewarding to provide services to my home community."

When asked about her philosophy regarding education and what she hopes to accomplish in her new position, she said, "I will work hard as a team with teachers, parents, and other staff to ensure that each child learns in a safe and supportive environment."

Jeff Branch is the new assistant principal at Grayling Middle School.

Branch earned a Bachelor of Science degree from CMU, majoring in Industrial Education, with a minor in Physical Education. He also holds a Master of Arts degree from the same college in Educational Administration.

For the last four years, Branch has served as assistant principal at Hemlock Middle School and before that, he spent six years teaching at Bad Axe High School and Middle School.

Branch and his wife, Anne, have two children -- three-year old Michael and one-year old Ashley. When not attending to the needs of his student body, Branch may be found hunting, golfing or snowmobiling -- his chosen hobbies and interests.

The reason Branch gave for his wanting to work for CASD: "It has a very good reputation of being a strong school system and this is where my wife and I want to raise our children."

Branch shares the same goals and philosophy as Bobenmoyer. He remarked he would like "to provide a safe and positive learning environment so all children can learn."

He concluded, "I'm very proud to be part of a great community."

LaRissa Deemer is assigned as a student teacher at both GHS and GMS. She is working with Rich Moffitt, Howard Lehti and Duane Van Dreese.

Deemer is currently a senior at CMU, majoring in Social Studies, with a History minor.

As a volunteer, Deemer is working with the Grayling Varsity Cheerleaders, in an assistant role to Coach Chris Burrell.

Deemer's hometown is Gaylord, where she lives with her parents and brothers, Bill and Ryan. Her interests are reading, photography, dance, singing, theatre and travel.

"Grayling is such a friendly community," remarked Deemer as one of the reasons why she wanted to work for CASD. "And, so close to home! I'm so excited about learning to become a great teacher. Thanks for the opportunity."

Kathryn Olson is teaching Algebra to 8th grade students at Grayling Middle School.

After graduating from Mio High School in 1976, Olson earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Northern Michigan University, majoring in Mathematics, with a

minor in Physical Education and an additional 18 hours emphasis on Reading.

In St. Clair, Olson taught 5th through 9th grade Math and Physical Education and served as a substitute teacher for about four years. Olson served as a permanent substitute teacher at GMS from December 1998 to June 1999 in the areas of Algebra, Pre-Algebra, and Science.

Married to husband, Paul, for 15 years, the Olsons have three sons: Erik in 8th grade, Scot in 5th grade and Michael in 2nd grade.

When asked why she wanted to work for CASD, Olson replied, "After being a long-term sub at GMS, I knew almost immediately that I wanted to return to teaching after staying home with the boys. The staff was extremely supportive and welcomed me with open arms."

Her philosophy of education combined with her goal in her new position is: "I strive to help each child achieve their potential and enjoy showing girls that *Math IS Cool*."

There was one more thing Olson wanted to include... "P.S. The Good Staff's in the Middle."

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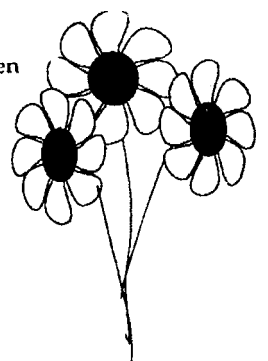
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As the summer draws to a close and the gardens start to lose their luster, the members of G.P.A. would like to thank all of those who helped in the beautification of Grayling and through their efforts made it possible to give a little face lift to a Great Town.

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We would also like to commend all those businesses and homeowners who have put forth the extra efforts to plant flowers and keep their lawns groomed and looking beautiful. It is such a pleasure to drive into Grayling. The comments have been only positive!! Thank-you!!

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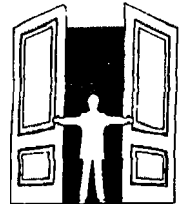
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	M - T	12 - 3:30 pm	Barrow	GED/ABE	M	6 - 9:30 pm	TBA
ABE/GED	W - R	8 - 11:30 am	Brunell	MATH LAB	T	6 - 9:30 pm	TBA
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OPINIONS



ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

Some things you may not know

WHAT FOLLOWS is a variety of possibly interesting items learned by reading the paper, which faithful readers may have missed -- some with editorial comment, some without.

ALAN KEYES so far has won as many face-to-face contests among Republican presidential hopefuls as George W. Bush. The Texas governor won the Iowa Republican straw vote, but a few days later Mr. Keyes won the Alabama straw vote. Mr. Bush finished third, also behind Utah Sen. Orrin Hatch. That makes the score in the Republican race for president: George Bush one, Alan Keyes one.

-- In a poll last year, 90 percent of adults said they would vote for a woman for nomination as president if she is qualified, up from 70 per-

cent in 1972. And 25 percent said a female president would be better than a man at improving honesty and ethics in Washington.

-- Most states last year had significant budget surpluses, defined as extra funds of more than five percent of their budgets. Examples: California \$2.2 billion, Minnesota \$1.3 billion, Texas \$1.2 billion.

ONLY 43 percent of Americans today have a hero -- someone other than a family member or a biblical figure -- whom they admire for his or her courage. That's five percent fewer than five years ago.

-- Columbia/HCA HealthCare, America's largest hospital chain, fired about 900 doctors from Columbia-owned doctor practices, both to cut costs and because they found that physicians on salary

tend to work less than when on their own, and to do little to boost the revenue of their corporate-owned practices. Big surprise? Not to those who run a small business.

-- So far in 1999, at least 14 journalists have been killed in the line of duty somewhere in the world. In all of last year, 28 journalists were killed. More than 500 journalists have died in the line of duty during the last 10 years, and 110 now are in jail in 22 countries. Finding and reporting the news can be a tough business.

-- During the Salem witch trials in 1692, more than 300 people were accused of some sort of satanic possession or witchcraft, and 19 were executed before community hysteria waned.

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continued in 1997 as the national leader in the number of alcohol-related arrests among 483 universities with more than 5,000 students. MSU's explanation: Because they're huge, with 41,000 students, and because they police drinking violations very aggressively, they have more arrests. Makes sense. One MSU official suggested MSU also is No. 1 in number of students not arrested. MSU reported 633 arrests, down from 1996. Western Michigan University ranked fourth. About two-thirds of MSU arrests were on home football Saturdays. MSU students were only about half of those arrested.

-- It takes 45 tons of crushed brick to maintain the tennis courts during the French Open.

-- A group of evangelical Christians, mainly from Europe and North America, recently went

to the Gaza Strip to apologize to descendants of Muslim victims for the Crusades. Members of the Reconciliation Walk group delivered the apology to a Palestinian cabinet minister, asking forgiveness. The Crusades in the 11th to 13th centuries sought to recapture Christian holy places which were under Muslim control. Are reparations next?

SECESSION AGAIN is on the minds of a handful of southerners. The Southern Party was formed at a recent gathering of 150 advocates in North Carolina. The party's aim is peaceful separation from the United States. No timetable was set. Political activity is the means -- sending enough members to Congress to form a separate Southern Nation.

-- Reviewing world progress:

The microwave oven first appeared in 1947, but took another 30 years to catch on. Nylon was patented in 1937. The first patent for a brassiere was issued in Britain in 1914. The crossword puzzle was born in 1913. Tea bags appeared in 1919. The zipper was patented in 1893. The paper clip was invented in 1900.

-- Of the 2,500 people struck by lightning each year, 84 percent are males aged 10 to 35. A 130 pound woman toting a baby around in a backpack burns about 350 calories an hour. These are just two examples of the amazing knowledge we can learn from scientific study.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

VIEWPOINT

Taxpayers save with future income tax rate cut

Earlier this year, the legislature debated Governor Engler's proposal to cut Michigan's personal income tax rate from the current 4.4 percent to 3.9 percent over five years.

Opponents argued that a better way to provide tax relief was to raise the personal exemption. The Governor had the votes, the rate will be cut, and some might say the debate is over.

But the question of which is better -- cutting rates or raising exemptions -- is still relevant. Explaining why the Governor was right on this one will help illuminate future tax debates and in the meantime, can help us understand the dynamics of taxes and incentives.

Income taxes can be cut by reducing either the tax base (the amount of income subject to the tax) or the tax rate.

Increasing the personal exemption is the most common way to reduce the tax base. The personal exemption is subtracted from the gross income to determine how much of workers' income will be subject to tax. A higher personal exemption means less income is subject to the tax, thus lowering each person's tax bill. Here's how that works:

Under Michigan's current income

tax structure, if you have a family of four and you earn \$50,000 a year, your first \$11,200 of income (the \$2,800 personal exemption times four) is exempt from the income tax. The 4.4 percent tax is applied only to the last \$38,800 of your annual income.

Now, let's say you have the opportunity to earn \$1,000 of extra income -- by working longer hours, by taking a side job, or by saving and investing your money in the stock market or a mutual fund.

Every one of those additional dollars of income would be taxed at the 4.4 percent rate. Your reward would be only \$956, not \$1,000 (and that's before all the other deductions for federal income tax, Social Security, etc., which I'll ignore here for the sake of simplicity).

If the personal exemption was increased to, say, \$6,400, more of your income would be exempt (\$25,600), so the same 4.4 percent tax would apply only to a smaller share of your current annual income (\$24,400). While that would lower the taxes on your current income, it would do nothing to reduce the penalty on earning additional income. Lansing would still take 4.4 percent of it. So, the reward you

would receive from putting in the effort to earn the extra \$1,000 would still be \$956.

If instead the tax rate was reduced to, say, 3.9 percent, although the same amount of your current annual income would be exempt as before (\$11,200), each remaining dollar would be taxed at a lower rate.

In addition to lowering your current taxes, cutting the tax rate would also reduce the penalty on earning additional income. Lansing would now take only 3.9 percent of it. The reward you would receive from putting in the effort to earn that extra \$1,000 would therefore be higher, \$961 instead of \$956. While the difference may seem small on an individual basis, over the course of the millions of decisions made throughout Michigan's economy, the impact would be quite large.

While both methods of reducing personal income taxes will lower current tax bills, they have profoundly different effects on the economy. Regardless of how much the personal exemption is increased, if the tax rate remains unchanged, the tax penalty on additional productive economic activity will remain the same. The only way to reduce that penalty is to cut the tax rate.

With a higher exemption alone, individuals in general would be no more likely to make the effort to work longer hours or to take the risk of saving and investing than they were before. In contrast, lower tax rates encourage more economic activity -- greater output, higher incomes, and more jobs.

Cutting tax rates will also help make Michigan more competitive with other states. The personal exemption for a family of four in Michigan (\$11,200) is already higher than in every other state except Mississippi, while a family of four earning \$50,000 faces a higher top tax rate in Michigan than in 18 other states, including nearby Indiana and Illinois.

Bottom line: Michigan did the right thing earlier this year when it moved to cut income tax rates instead of raising the personal exemption. By reducing the penalty on productive economic activity and making Michigan's tax code more competitive, the result is likely to be greater incentive for economic growth than if the other view had prevailed.

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VIEWPOINT

Northern Michigan growth warrants more firefighting capabilities

by Don Inman
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(Retired)

Michigan children learn about the forest fires that swept across our peninsulas, killing hundreds of people and incinerating whole towns, following the logging era early in this century. They don't learn about the May 1980 Mack Lake Fire, the

May 1990 Stephan Bridge Road Fire, or the May 1999 Tower Lake Fire.

The Mack Lake Fire burned 24,000 acres, one fire fighter died, and \$2 million in private property was lost. The Stephan Bridge Fire burned 5,916 acres and destroyed 200 structures. The Tower Lake Fire burned 5,625 acres and eight

structures.

Few Michigan citizens know why those fires were so large and devastating. Nor do they recognize the potential for a repeat of those fires from any of the hundreds of forest fires the Department of Natural Resources deals with annually.

In November 1996, the Wildfire Task Force, created by then State Representative Allen Lowe, Grayling, submitted its report. It calls for a major increase in DNR forest fire fighting manpower (from 98 to 142) and response capability, with a 52 percent budget increase.

That hasn't happened. But even if it did, it would restore only a fraction of the fire fighting capacity the DNR once had. For instance, it no longer has the water bombing planes it had 25 years ago. If it did, fire fighters say they may have held this spring's 5,625 acre Tower Lake Fire to 200 acres.

In the 1930's, when there was little left in the northland to burn but stumps, the Conservation Department had 14 fire fighting district headquarters across the northland. As recently as 1989, it had eight. It now has four. Since 1962,

when 160 fire officers were on standby at field substations, 21 field stations have closed.

Due to maturing forests and development, there are many times more resources to burn than there were when the DNR had far more fire fighting resources.

Back in 1962, the primary structures in the woodlands were hunting shacks and rustic cabins, used more by field mice than people. Freeways had not yet penetrated the north country.

In the 1980's alone, the Wildfire Task Force reported that more than 600,000 homes were built in former backwoods areas. The pace of development has steadily accelerated in the 1990's.

And they are not building shacks. The pine lands are filling up with expensive year-around homes, cottages and cabins, adding fuel to the fire threat. (The 1990 Stephan Bridge Fire started from burning trash at a relatively new cabin.)

With a multi-million-dollar surplus, it would seem our elected state officials could fund a fire program that protects our citizens, their property and public resources.

To the editor,

We were getting ready for our first annual river clean up at the MATES facility on August 25. My partner, Brian Burrell and I were in the lead at Penrod's Canoe Livery to pick up trash out of our beautiful AuSable River.

As we were going down the river, we were picking up all kinds of garbage such as pop and beer cans, chip bags, cups and even an old chair. Then we came upon a little spot in the river that seemed to collect and hold a lot of stuff, kind of like a small hole, but not very deep.

A couple of other canoes were there getting all kinds of bottles and cans because it was such a good spot to get trash. I was leaning over the canoe, poking at a tin can with my poker stick, and not having very good luck because the poker was slipping off the can and poking into the river bottom. About the third attempt at the can, the poker stick stuck into the river bottom.

As I jerked the stick free, I noticed that I dislodged a wallet from the bottom of the river. So, I grabbed the wallet and pulled it into the canoe. I knew that the wallet had been there for a long time by the way it looked. It had stones imbedded into the top of it and moss growing from it. If you would have been looking hard, you would never have seen it. If I hadn't been poking at that can, and slipped off it, I would never have found it.

I opened the wallet and noticed that the wallet belonged to a police officer in Delta, Ohio. His badge was in it and his identification along with his credit cards were all in perfect condition. Pictures that were in

there were destroyed. My partner and I noticed that the credit cards expiration dates were 1981. So that meant the wallet had been missing for at least 18 or 19 years.

I was really starting to get excited now. I was wondering if I could find the owner of the wallet after all these years. I didn't think it would be too hard, because he was a chief at the police department. I got home that night and went right for the phone and called the operator for the area code for Delta County. Then I called information for the Delta County Police Department and got the number.

My heart started to pound faster as I dialed the number. A female officer answered the phone and I told her that I was looking for a chief that used to work there because I found his wallet that had been missing for 19 years. She said that nobody was there right now, but she would have an officer call me back.

About 15 minutes later the phone rang, and it was the owner of the wallet. He was so tickled to hear the news. He said in 1980 he was canoeing on the AuSable River and lost his wallet. They looked for the wallet for hours and couldn't find it.

When he got back to the canoe livery he had told the owner what had happened. The owner at the time felt so bad that he loaned the officer \$100 for gas to get back home. The officer was a chief for over 30 years and retired three years ago. I was proud to put his badge and belongings in the mail so he'll never wonder about the wallet again.

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address and telephone number must be included to be considered for publication. Letters will not be published without the author's name. Phone numbers are not published.

All letters are subject to editing and will be printed as space allows.

Deadline for submission of Letters to the Editor is Friday at noon for consideration for publication in the following week's paper.

BRIEFS

Middle School open house next week

The Grayling Middle School Open House will be held at 6 p.m., Tuesday, September 14 at the school. Please note the change of date.

Substance Abuse Board plan meeting

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services Board of Directors is Monday, September 13, at 10 a.m. in the Baraga Meeting Room in their offices at 1665 West M-32, Marquette Building in Gaylord. Arrangements can be made for Braille materials for the visually impaired and interpreters for the hearing impaired. To make arrangements or for more information, call (517) 732-1791.

County Tire Disposal Day scheduled

Crawford County Tire Disposal Day will be held in the County Building parking lot on Saturday, September 11 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cost to dispose of old automobile tires is \$1.50 each if off the rim; \$2 each if still on the rim. Rims will not be returned, but recycled. For more information, call Pat Merrill at (517) 344-3258 or Bruce Leonard at (517) 344-3274. This service is provided to residents of Crawford County at no profit or cost to the County.

Transplant support group to meet

The Transplant Support Group of Northern Michigan will meet Thursday, September 16 at 7 p.m. at Otsego Memorial Hospital in Gaylord. This month's meeting will include a round table discussion. The group is designed for anyone who is pre- or post-transplant, their families, friends, caregivers, donors or other interested community members. For more information call Bev Cherwinski at (517) 983-4188. To check for cancellations call the number above or OMH Health Education Dept. at (517) 731-2193.

Mens Pool League schedules meeting

The Grayling Mens Pool League will hold a meeting on Tuesday, September 14, at the Legion Hall in Grayling. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss rules and general information. Anyone interested in playing may attend, but you must be at least 21 to play.

Seniors to hold country-western dance

"Ellie Mae" will be hosting a country-western dance at the Senior Center on Thursday, September 9, at 5:30 p.m. Tunes will be from the country radio station in Traverse City.

Rock the hours away at the Hills

"Overdrive" will perform 60's, 70's and 80's classic rock in a concert for the whole family at Hanson Hills Recreation Area on Sunday, September 12 from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tickets are \$6 each or six for \$28. Games are planned and concessions will be available.

Class of '68 seeking names, information

Members of the Grayling High School Class of '68 turn 50 years old next year. A reunion is planned for August 5, 2000 and organizers still need married names and updated addresses for many classmates no longer residing in the area. Friends and relatives are asked to please contact Rick Reed at 348-3231 with information pertaining to members of the Class of '68.

Ostomy support group to meet

The Straits Area Ostomy Association will hold its regular meeting on Sunday, September 19 at 2 p.m. at the Central Methodist Church in Sault Ste. Marie. All ostomates and interested persons are invited. Call (517) 821-5721 for further information.

Lutheran ladies to host lunch/card party

The Ladies of St. John Lutheran Church will host a luncheon and card party on Wednesday, September 15 in the Fellowship Hall beginning at 12 noon. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call 348-5224.

SHARE sign-up/pick-up scheduled

There will be a SHARE sign-up Monday, September 13 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Commission on Aging on Lawndale Street. SHARE pick-up will be Friday, September 24 from 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m. at the Reorganized Church of Latter Day Saints on North Down River Road.

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For married people the monthly income limit is \$1,356 and the monthly prescription cost must be at least 8% of the monthly income.

People with insurance or Medicaid are not eligible. For more information, contact the Senior Citizen Center at (517) 348-7123.

High school seniors can apply for U.S. military service academy nominations

U.S. Rep. Dave Camp (R-Midland) advises high school seniors interested in attending one of the U.S. service academies to contact his office as soon as possible to begin the application process.

Prospective students should live in the 4th Congressional District and be on schedule to graduate in the class of 2000, Camp said.

A student must obtain a nomination from a U.S. representative or U.S. senator to be considered for an appointment to the U.S. Military, Air Force and Naval academies.

Camp urges interested students to begin the process early as the applications are due by November 1.

"Being able to nominate young men and women to the service acad-

emies is one of the most rewarding parts of my job," Camp said. "These are some of the best and brightest students our area has to offer, and the academies offer them a unique opportunity to obtain a first-rate education and serve their country."

For more information, call Camp's congressional office in Midland at 1-800-342-2455 or (517) 631-2552.

The address for written inquiries is: Congressman Dave Camp, U.S. Service Academy Nominations, 135 Ashman Street, Midland, MI 48640.

More information about the application process and links to the service academies' web sites can be accessed through Camp's web site at: www.house.gov/camp.

Five-day missionary conference scheduled at First Baptist Church

The Northern Michigan Round Robin Missionary Conference will be held September 12-16 at the First Baptist Church in Frederic.

On Sunday, September 12 at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m., Cedric McCormick from Camp Tracy Children's Home in Jackson, Florida will speak.

After the morning service, a pot luck dinner will be held. Please bring a dish to pass.

Weekday services begin at 7 p.m. and the schedule is as follows:

Monday, September 13 - Alan and Tanya Minks, missionaries to Japan will share their stories.

Tuesday, September 14 - Dr. Mike Bure, Evangelist from Pensacola, Florida will speak.

Wednesday, September 15 - Rick and Christy Newell, missionaries to the Mormons in Utah will share their stories.

Thursday, September 16 - Gary and Barbara Forney, missionaries to the Arctic will talk about their work.

Rabbit breeders to compete in Gaylord

The White Tail Rabbit Breeders Association will hold their 10th annual show in Gaylord, on Saturday, September 25. Over 100 head of quality animals are expected to compete in the only exhibition of its kind in northern Michigan.

Members from Alpena, Pickford, Indian River, Mio and Harrison, as well as other locations including Canada, will participate in the show that will be held at the Otsego County Fairgrounds.

Richard Ellz of Mio will serve as the show's superintendent and Barbara Pakulsky of Indian River is the general secretary. Highly qualified judges will decide placements. Judging begins at 9 a.m.

The show is expected to last until 4 or 5 p.m., depending on the amount of entries.

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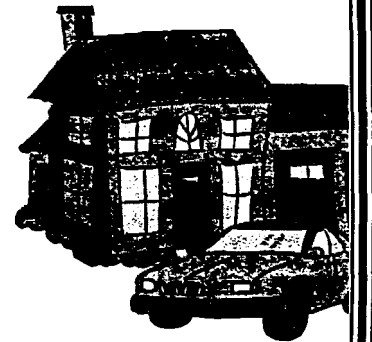
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FRI 10	•GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 12 noon & 8 pm. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information.
SAT 11	•COUNTY TIRE DISPOSAL DAY. Crawford County Tire Disposal Day will be held in the County Building parking lot from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cost to dispose of old automobile tires is \$1.50 ea. if off the rim; \$2 ea. if still on the rim. Rims will not be returned, but recycled. For more info. call Pat Merrill at (517) 344-3258 or Bruce Leonard at (517) 344-3274.
SUN 12	•GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Francis Episcopal Church, 8 pm. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information. •ATTEND THE CHURCH of your choice today.
MON 13	•KIWANIS CLUB meeting @ Shoppenagon's Inn, 12 noon. •AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED PERSONS meeting @ COA office, 1:30 pm. •GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 12 noon & 8 pm @ Frederic Township Hall. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information. •"WELLNESS" SUPPORT GROUP for Fibromyalgia, chronic fatigue immune deficiency syndrome. 7 p.m. at Grayling Mercy Community Hospital, cafeteria. Marj 348-7159 or Cynthia 275-2019.
TUES 14	•GPA MEETING @ Shoppenagon's, 12 noon. •AMERICAN BUSINESS WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION dinner meeting @ 5:30 pm. Call Cathy @ 348-8076 for more info. •AUSABLE RIVER CANOE MARATHON meeting @ Mini-Mall race office, 7 pm. •GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 12 noon. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information. •GRAYLING AL-ANON MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 8 p.m.. Call Thelma H. 344-2043 for info.
WED 15	•ROTARY MEETING @ Patti's Towne House, 12 noon. •WEIGHT WATCHER'S meeting @ St. Francis Episcopal Church, M-72 West; weigh-in 4:45 pm; meeting, 5:30 pm. For more information call Mary, 348-5306. •COA BOARD MEETING @ Senior Citizen Center, 308 Lawndale, 5:30 pm. •GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 12 noon. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information.

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The Bible Speaks

Satanic Control of Persons

If I were Satan I would deceive people into thinking I was God. (2 Corinthians 11:14) "And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light." I would deceive people into following false leaders. (2 Corinthians 11:15) "Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works." I would deceive people so they would not believe God's Holy Words. (Genesis 3:1) I would corrupt the simplicity of faith in the person, work, and word of Jesus Christ. (2 Corinthians 11:3) I would pervert the gospel of salvation. (Galatians 1:8) I would turn people from the love of God's truth into love for sinful pleasure. (2 Thessalonians 2:10-12) I would snatch God's words away from the unsaved as soon as they heard it. (Mark 4:15) I would blind the minds of the unsaved to keep them from salvation. (2 Corinthians 4:4) (John 12:40) I would change God's truth into a lie and cause people to worship creatures rather than God. (Romans 1:25) I would convince people not to go to church. (Hebrews 10:25) I would convince people they were the master of their own fates and captains of their own souls. I would convince people to die with self-esteem, confidence and dignity, but

without faith in Jesus Christ. Those who still believed the Bible, I would convince to put off their salvation until some distant day. (2 Corinthians 6:2) Finally, I would make them hard hearted and indifferent to their sinful condition and their future damnation. (Hebrews 3:13, 15) Then I would watch them drop into Hell thinking they had made all the right choices.

Martin Luther reminded us in his "Bondage of the Will" that free will is the lie of Satan. The will of every human being is either under the control of Satan or Jesus Christ. Satan was the first creature to believe he had a free will apart from God. God tells us about this will of Satan. (Isaiah 14:12-15) "How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! [13] For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: [14] I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High. [15] Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit." (Bold print added for emphasis.)

God had told Adam and Eve they would die the day they ate of the tree of

the knowledge of good and evil. But Satan taught them to use their freewill to rebel against God. (Genesis 3:4-5) "And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: [5] For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil." Satan gained control of their wills.

My friend, who controls your will today, Satan or Jesus Christ? Both persons are stronger than you. Cast yourself upon the mercy of God! Call upon Jesus Christ to deliver you and save you. (John 1:12) Turn the control of your will away from Satan and unto Jesus Christ.

Pastor "B"

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chores, sipping a cool drink, and looking up through lush green branches as the leaves switch with the breeze. Come fall, we may cut back those branches. They may appear rather stunted through the winter, but ultimately will return even stronger and more lush next spring.

How much we are like those branches. Just when life seems to be perfect, we suddenly face hardships. We wonder why this has to happen, stunting our bliss and leaving us feeling dejected. In hindsight, when the hard times are past, we realize that adversity has made us stronger than ever and we are once more assured that the Creator has a plan for us.

Branch out this week when you learn more of your Creator at your local church or synagogue.



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Wednesday
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The course is designed to update the health professional on the physio-

logical differences between acute and chronic pain. Medical, pharmacological and nursing care approaches will be explored.

Features speakers for the seminar will be: John DiBella, MC, Pain Management Specialist, West Branch; Wendy Hillman, MSN, RN, Nursing Faculty, Kirtland Community College, Roscommon; and Jeffrey K. Steffey, MSN, RPh, FAPP, Director of Pharmacy

Services, Mercy Health Services North, Grayling.

Program participants will discuss the physiological components of the acute pain pathway and the chronic pain pathway; contrast medical approaches to treating patients with acute and chronic pain; describe the pharmacological approaches in the treatment of acute and chronic pain based in the pain pathways; and, contrast the nursing care of clients with

acute and chronic pain.

Seven point two (7.2) contact hours are provided by the seminar. The seminar registration, which includes lunch, is \$35 for health professionals; \$45 at the door for registered professionals. Checks should be made payable to: Kirtland Community College, c/o Health Occupations, 10775 N. St. Helen Rd., Roscommon, MI 48653. Registration may be made at the door as space allows, however, registrants should call (517) 275-5000 ext 281 by September 15 for seat availability and meal reservations.

KCC Seminar Planning Committee Chair, Wendy Hillman MSN, RN, says that a certificate of completion (7.2 contact hours) will be awarded at the end of the program; however, no partial continuing education credit will be awarded. Each participant must attend the entire seminar program including the question and answer session and the evaluation period.

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Kalkaska artist featured at museum

"Mythril Designs," a most unusual sculpture exhibit by Laura Butler of Kalkaska, opens at the Jesse Besser Museum on September 12. A special "Meet the Artist" public reception will be held that afternoon from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., courtesy of the Founders Society of the Jesse Besser Museum. Admission to the museum is free that day.

Butler has been creating her amazing sculptures in the quite uncommon medium of chenille stems (a more refined form of pipe cleaner) since she was 11 years old. This began when she was hospitalized for two weeks with a serious childhood illness.

She began with small natural animal shapes that have developed over the years into large 3-D sculptures with both realistic and fantastic themes. Using steel wire armature with a woven surface, and with atten-

tion to intricate detail, Butler has created a unique and individual art form. She has recently expanded into "shadow box" scenes with combined fantastic and natural themes.

Butler's artwork has been exhibited in Fantasy and Science Fiction art shows which were open to professional artists from all over the United States.

From the early 1980s to the present time, she has won more than 27 awards in the category of 3-D art.

Butler has participated in many gallery shows and has works in several private collections. Butler also does commission work.

"Mythril Designs" will be shown at the Jesse Besser Museum through October 31. For further information, contact Robert E. Haltiner at the Museum, 491 Johnson Street, Alpena, MI 49707. Or call Haltiner at (517) 356-2202.

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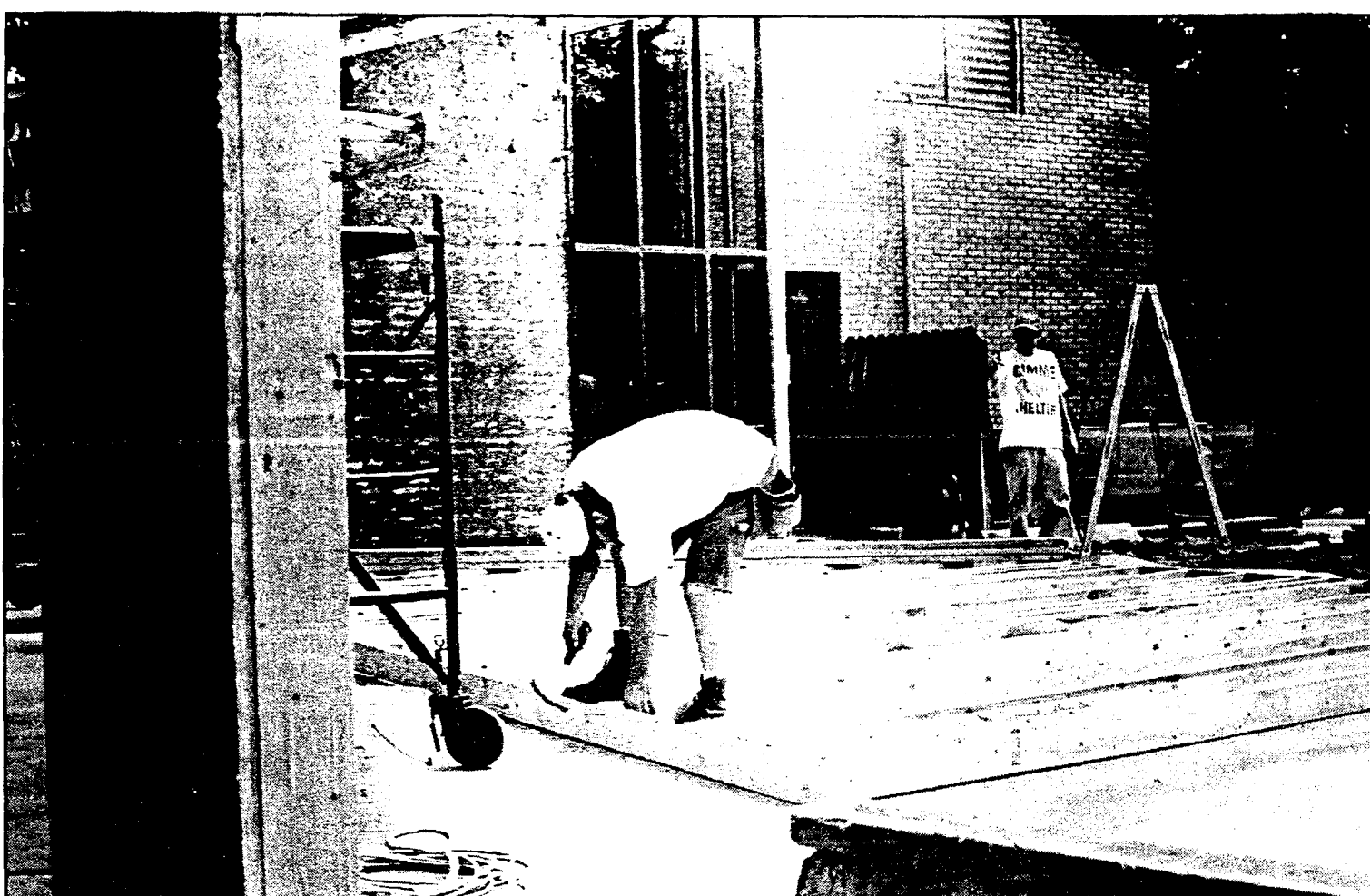


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Disease-carrying mosquitoes present in Michigan

Recent reports out of the New York City area have warned residents of mosquitoes carrying a potentially deadly disease. Similar findings have been reported in Gladwin and Kalamazoo Counties in Michigan.

Michigan Department of Agriculture (MDA) Director Dan Wyant announced earlier this month that the Eastern Equine Encephalomyelitis (EEE) virus has been detected in mosquitoes from Gladwin County and a juvenile wild bird from Kalamazoo County.

The detections indicate the presence of EEE virus in those areas, prompting state officials to remind people in the southern half of the Lower Peninsula to be especially vigilant about wearing insect repel-

lent or other mosquito protection when outdoors and to take precautions to protect their horses.

EEE, commonly called "sleeping sickness," is caused by a virus that is found in wild birds. Mosquitoes are necessary to transmit the virus from bird to bird, and also from birds to humans and horses.

Symptoms of encephalomyelitis in horses include fever, progressive loss of muscle coordination, and paralysis.

Birds recover quickly from the disease, but continue to act as reservoirs for the virus. Human symptoms include high fever progressing rapidly to a coma.

A vaccine is available to prevent EEE in horses, but vaccination is neither readily available nor practi-

cal for routine human use.

"The significance of finding an EEE-infected juvenile bird, as opposed to an adult migratory bird, is that the bird clearly became infected while in Michigan. This means there are EEE-infected mosquitoes in Kalamazoo County," said MDA Equine Veterinarian Dr. Steve Halstead. "These findings show that the EEE virus is moving from birds to mosquitoes and back again. A few EEE-infected mosquitoes have also been found in Gladwin County."

EEE does not occur in Michigan every year; however, when it does occur it can be fatal to humans and horses.

Four human victims have died in Michigan since 1980, the most

recent one in 1997. Since 1980, Michigan horses that have died from EEE number 253, the most recent in 1996.

"With an abundant mosquito population in Michigan this summer, we are reminding people to be more vigilant about avoiding mosquitoes and to take precautions to protect their horses from this disease of the nervous system," Wyant said.

Michigan has an active EEE Surveillance Program, involving a cooperative effort between MDA, the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH), Michigan State University, and 22 local health departments, nearly five dozen veterinary practices, and four county-wide mosquito control programs.

Local realtor merges with second well-known real estate company

Coldwell Banker Cornell Realty has merged with Century 21 Realty Country of Higgins Lake, owned by broker Randy Thompson. This is the second agency acquired by the realty in as many months, the first being State Wide Real Estate of

Roscommon/Higgins Lake.

President of Coldwell Banker Cornell Realty Jim Vanderlaan said, "As a result of this affiliation, we will become more efficient and will be able to provide a higher level of service to buyers and sellers."

The realty remains an independently owned and operated office. Tom Bailey will remain the managing broker for the two locations, one at 9541 N. Cut Road in Higgins Lake and the other at 402 Lake Street in Roscommon. Additional staff and sales associates are being added as well.

Vanderlaan confirms that any and

all existing contracts will continue as originally written and the corporate office will remain on the I-75 Business Loop in Grayling.

"We are committed to this new and exciting merger," Vanderlaan said, "and we pledge to work hard to ensure a smooth transition for the benefit of every customer/client, sales associate and staff person."

SHERIFF'S REPORT

The following complaints were received by the Crawford County Sheriff's Department from August 30 through September 6:

One fire; one criminal sexual conduct; three assault; one burglary; one larceny; five property damage; one liquor laws; one obstruction of police; 20 public peace; one hit and run accident; one citation; 18 health and safety (all of which were animal control); one conservation; four miscellaneous crimes; three minors; one

walkaway; 11 accidents; one non-traffic accident; two parking violation; one traffic safety; four false alarms; one fire; one hazardous conditions; one accident-other; 11 vehicle inspections; eight civil/family trouble; three suspicious situations; one lost/found property; three missing persons; 22 general non-criminal.

A total of 133 complaints were handled by the sheriff's department during the one-week period.

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Various methods used to fight prostate cancer

When most men hear the words "prostate cancer" they think of typical treatments - surgery, radiation therapy or chemotherapy. But that's not necessarily their only course. Doctors at the University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center offer several options to treat the disease effectively, and are recommending dietary supplements and certain foods that may have a favorable effect.

More than 200,000 men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer this year, and 40,000 men will die from the disease. The risk is even higher for African-American men, who are at twice the risk for getting - and dying from - the disease. It is second only to lung cancer as the leading cancer killer in men.

Along with the common occurrence of prostate cancer, there likewise seems to be a common misconception about treating it, says Mark Moyad, M.P.H., complementary health counselor for Urologic Oncology at the University of Michigan Health System. Patients immediately assume surgery is the only option.

In fact, he says, "That is not the case. Yes, there is the traditional form of surgical treatment. But there are also two types of radiation that can be used in combination with surgery or stand on their own. And other options include freezing the prostate, which was recently approved by the FDA, as well as watchful waiting." The length of time an individual watches the progression of their disease without

proceeding with other treatment is based on the individual's age and rate of progression of their disease.

Along with the traditional forms of treatment, Moyad says, individuals can employ complementary medicine approaches in conjunction with whatever conventional routes their doctors and they choose. But he cautions, such tactics cannot replace modern medicine.

One exciting complementary option is nutrition. Moyad and others recommend eating a diet low in fat, and increasing the consumption of a wide variety of fruit and vegetables, with a particular emphasis on tomatoes and tomato products. This, and drinking a couple of cups of green tea a day has been shown to reduce the risk of prostate cancer.

This one lifestyle change can have a dramatic effect. A study published in Seminars in Urologic Oncology has shown up to a 70% reduction in all-cause mortality and 61% reduction in cancers through diet modification.

"Nutrition as a complementary option is exciting in the sense that it can not only reduce your risk of the progression of prostate cancer, but also reduces your risk of a number of other conditions like cardiovascu-

lar disease," he says.

Another food that men may want to add to their diets is soy. Soy products contain plant estrogens, compounds researchers believe may be part of the reason for the lower rates of prostate cancer among men in Asia, where soy is much more commonly eaten than in the United States.

Other supplements that have shown good potential to reduce prostate cancer risk are selenium and vitamin E. Adding 200 micrograms of selenium and 50 milligrams (or 50 international units) of vitamin E a day to the diet may help reduce the risk of prostate cancer, studies have suggested.

Moyad warns that there are other popular alternative supplements that men are taking with the mistaken impression that they will either reduce the risk of developing prostate cancer in the first place, or slow the growth of their tumor. He cites such substances as shark cartilage, garlic supplements and zinc supplements.

"They really have no clinical studies to back up their use," he says. "In fact, the clinical studies using these supplements have not found any benefit to using them in terms of

reducing risk or slowing progression of the disease."

Moyad emphasizes a combination of both medical worlds. "The primary goal here at U-M is to start incorporating conventional and alternative medicine together, to combine the best of what each has to offer."

But no matter what approach men take, early detection is the key, he says. "Prostate cancer can be cured in the early stages. So, screen annually starting at age 40 if you're African-American or have a family history of prostate cancer. For all other men, annual screening starting at age 50 is recommended as the key to early detection and treatment."

For more information on the Web try: U-M Health Topics A-Z - Prostate Cancer at:

www.med.umich.edu/1libr/cancer/renal04.htm

U-M Section of Urology at: www.um-urology.com:80/clinic/male/prostate/

U-M Comprehensive Cancer Center Prostate Cancer Home Page at: www.cancer.med.umich.edu/proscan/proscan.html

American Cancer Society Prostate Treatment Guidelines at www2.cancer.org/nccn/acs/prostate/index.htm

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The Gaylord group is a 53-year old non-profit organization that is looking for community support with this fund-raiser allowing them to award vocal scholarships and send young men to Harmony Explosion Camp.

Funds from the Harmonie Meister fund-raising efforts also go to HEARTSPRING, a national organization that helps children with impaired speech. And, they have

added prostate and testicular cancer awareness programs to their list of charitable endeavors.

The day of four-part harmony begins at 1:30 p.m. at the Evangelical Free Church, 1649 M-32 East in Gaylord, with competition between many barbershop quartets. First and second place winners will join many seasoned and well-known quartets for the Gala Evening Show at 8 p.m.

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Prostate cancer screening available

If you are a man over 50 or know a man who is, you may want to encourage him to take advantage of low cost prostate cancer screening during Prostate Cancer Awareness Week, September 19-26. Northern Michigan Hospital will offer two screening times and locations for area residents.

In Petoskey, screening will take place Tuesday, September 21, from 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. at Northern Michigan Hospital, 416 Connable. Participants should enter at the main lobby of the hospital.

In Rogers City, screening will take place on Tuesday, September 21 from 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. at the Rogers City Medical Group at 573 N. Bradley.

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Prostate cancer has surpassed lung cancer as the most prevalent form of cancer found in American men. It is


estimated that one in six men will get prostate cancer and that 179,000 new cases will be diagnosed in 1999. Of that number, 37,000 men will die from the disease.

Early prostate cancer does not have symptoms and is difficult to detect without testing. Typical indications of prostate trouble include weak or interrupted urine flow; inability to urinate or difficulty stopping or starting the urine flow; the need to urinate frequently; blood in the urine or semen; burning or pain upon urination and continuing pain in the lower back, pelvis or thighs. These symptoms may be signs of other medical ailments and should be discussed with your primary care physician. Testing has improved diagnosis rates in recent years, with 58 percent of all prostate cancer cases being detected while the cancer is still localized.

Pre-registration for both screenings is required. Asymptomatic men who have never been tested will be considered first during pre-registration. If you have prostate related symptoms, check with your primary care physician before registering. To register for either screening or for more information, contact HealthAccess at 1-800-248-6777.

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Class of '49 plans reunion



GHS ALUMNI NEWS - The Class of 1949 will celebrate their 50th reunion at the Annual Alumni Homecoming Dinner on Saturday, September 25 at the Grayling Holiday Inn. "There is always something very special about this number 50," said Clara Sorenson, secretary for the GHS Alumni Association. The Class of '49 is as follows: (D) denotes deceased. Top row, from left - Cynthia Stephan, Leonard Jensen (D), Madeline Straehly, Louis Smith, Mary Majeska, Joan Harwood, Robert Smith, Thelma Agar, Ernie Parsons (D), Donna Carlson. Second row, from left - Beverly Macauley, Claude Parkinson, Jr., Phyllis Milks, Joyce Hoerl, Thomas Anthony, Amber Meech, Lucy Galvani, Jack Richardson, Phyllis Schmidt (D), Delores LaMotte. Third row, from left - John Krage, Illa Valentine, Carl Dean Hanson; Student Council: Axel Peterson - Vice President, Robert Brady - President, Joan Corwin - Secretary, Larry McNamara - Treasurer; Marjorie Nelson, Richard Owen (D). Fourth row, from left - Walter LaMotte, Sara Smith, Patricia Skingley, Robert Lozon (D), Norene Vincent (D), Patricia Berry. Bottom row, from left - Martin Kitchen, DeLauras Welch (D), Mrs. Myrtle Milnes (D) - Co-Sponsor; Frank L. Bond (D), Superintendent and Co-Sponsor, Wesley Kumpula, Principal; Mary Gierke (D), Bonnie Boger (D).

SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

Schedule of Activities at the Center this week:

September 9 - Blood pressure and blood sugar, 11 a.m. - noon; Foot clinic, by appointment; Adult Education and "Ellie Mae's Country-Western Dance at 5:30 p.m.

September 10 - Frederic Satellite, call Eva Hulbert, 348-9189 for a reservation; Pantry Bingo at 1 p.m.

September 13 - Crafts at 10 a.m.; Stag cards at noon; Bridge and RSVP Ladies at 1 p.m.; Share sign-up from 10 a.m. to noon; Hangman at 5:30 p.m.

September 14 - Euchre at 1 p.m.

September 15 - Hearing Clinic from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., call 1-877-938-0115 for an appointment; Stag cards at 12:30 p.m.; Commission on Aging Board Meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Meals are available at the Senior Center at noon and 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday. On Friday, a meal is available only at noon. Please call for reservations at (517) 348-7123.

SEPTEMBER MENU: Lunch /Dinner

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FALL WEDDING PLANNED — Dan and Linda Schrems of Saginaw and Rupert and Kathy Pearsall of Lovells announce the engagement of their children, Kathy Schrems and Rudy Pearsall. The wedding will be Saturday, October 23, at the St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Saginaw.

1999 Breath of Life campaign begins in Crawford County

The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation (CFF) has appointed Carolyn Rakoczy to head up the 1999 "Breath of Life" Campaign in Grayling and Crawford County.

Cystic Fibrosis (CF) is the most common fatal genetic disease in the United States today.

It causes the body to produce an abnormally thick, sticky mucus, which clogs the lungs, leading to infections, and also obstructs the pancreas, inhibiting proper digestion of food.

September has been designated by the Greater Michigan Chapter of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation as the month to promote their education and fund-raising campaigns.

The chairpersons will organize the campaign to raise money for

research, education, and treatment of CF.

Gene Riley, State Campaign Chairman, reports that research is the best defense in the on-going battle to cure CF for the approximately 30,000 children and adults who face this tragic disease every day.

Recent campaigns have funded advances by researchers right here in Michigan, as well as across the country.

To increase public awareness of CF, the Greater Michigan Chapter of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation will be conducting a door-to-door campaign to solicit funds and are looking for community support.

For more information, call 1-800-968-7169.

MATES conducts river clean-up

The Maneuver and Training Equipment Site (MATES) Employees Association recently conducted a clean up of the heavily travelled Grayling to Burton's Landing section of the AuSable river.

The idea for a "community project" was brought up by MATES employee Joe Smock, who thought the river could use a good clean-up after the busy summer season.

Helping the MATES accomplish their mission were three local canoe

liveries, Rays, Carlises, and Penrods, which donated both the canoes and the "pick up" personnel.

Various unique items were recovered outside the normal trash of bottles and cans, among them a 55 gallon barrel, a fifth of scotch, and a wallet that was lost 19 years ago.

After arriving at Burtons and emptying the garbage into the Camp Grayling refuse truck, employees both past and present enjoyed a well deserved pig roast and refreshments.



RIVER CLEAN-UP -- MATES personnel recently removed all sorts of trash from the banks and waters of the AuSable River.

Photos courtesy of MATES



PROPER DISPOSAL -- River clean-up participants from the MATES facility remove the garbage they gathered along the AuSable from their canoes and put it into a disposal truck.



Thanks a Million

WEEKLY SYNDICATED COLUMN BY PERCY ROSS

Millionaire Percy Ross is known for his philanthropic work. He offers help and encouragement for those in need. He has earned a fortune and a wealth of knowledge during his lifetime and wants to share both. His motto: "He who gives while he lives... also knows where it goes."

The Type Of Scars No Skin Graft Could Cover

Dear Mr. Ross: My first concern is that if you print my letter, please change the city and state. With that understanding, I'll continue. My 14 year old daughter is best friends with a classmate of the same age. Her girlfriend I'll call Betsy.

A couple of weeks ago Betsy told my daughter of a dark, hideous secret she has been carrying around. Betsy's father has sexually molested her for roughly 2 years. Betsy knows it's not right and has begged her father to stop, but he won't. She's terrified because what started out as fondling has turned into full blown intercourse. My daughter struggled with this until finally she broke down and told me. She may have betrayed Betsy's confidence but at least one adult needs to act responsibly and I've been elected by default. I convinced Betsy to stay at my home so I could confront her parents. Her mother didn't believe me and her father said he'll sue me for making false allegations. So, my next move was to the authorities.

I've been given temporary custody of Betsy until the investigation is over. I'm a single parent, not by choice, because my husband died 6 years ago. I have 3 children so I'm generally a day late and a dollar short. Could you please help me in getting a bed for Betsy? She has been on the couch and I feel bad about that. Also, with school only weeks away, she'll need some school clothes, like new underwear and bras. Would \$600 be too much?

Mrs. C. T. ... Morning Tribune, Lewiston, ID

Dear Mrs. T.: On a sliding scale of injustices, sexual molestation of children rates 10 in my book. There's no way to repair the damage. At best the victim learns to put it behind and move forward, but for so many they can never fully escape the nightmare.

It makes me furious that adults can so single handedly ruin the lives of their victims. Even within prison systems I've been told that pedophiles are

the last rung on the scum ladder. Thanks for going way out on a limb and saving Betsy from further abuse. The \$600 I'm sending is the least I can do.



Dear Percy Ross: From time to time I've read letters in your column regarding sexual abuse. Please encourage girls who have been abused to come forward. My sister and I were both victims. When my own girls told me they had been abused by their stepfather, I divorced him on the spot! He still lies saying, "It never happened!" I can't stand to look at him and haven't seen him since.

Believe me, sexual abuse is so pervasive. One never gets over the abuse. I'm 76 years old and I can remember vividly the terror. One last note. Any of the jerks who get help for this won't do them any good. They are addicted to this perverted behavior and that's the way it is.

Ms. E. M. ... Times-Union, Jacksonville, FL

Dear Readers: If you're a parent who engages in this type of behavior, you have to stop NOW. The cycle must be broken, otherwise the behavior becomes learned and will be repeated by the victims. In other words, you'll ruin not only the lives of your children, but possibly the lives of your grandchildren as well.

And sad to say, you must instruct your children to tell you if any adult sexually molests them. Through the use of anatomically correct dolls you can show your children that their private parts should not be inappropriately touched by anyone. This involves a loss of innocence, but that's a small price to pay to prevent a life of terror.

Editor's Note: Next week's *Thanks a Million* column will be written by Percy Ross' editor, Nancy Webber. Mr. Ross will return the following week.

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OBITUARIES

Lynn Wells Sr.

Lynn A. Wells Sr., 78, of Paulding, Ohio, died August 17, 1999, at his son's home in Paulding.

Mr. Wells was born April 21, 1921, in North Adams, to Howard and Orpha (Towe) Wells. In 1948, he married Violet Fall. He retired from L. J. Beal and Sons Trucking Co., Brooklyn after more than 26 years. He was a member of the National Rifle Association and had formerly lived in Grayling.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Carlos and Dale.

Survivors include: his wife, Violet Wells of Grayling; three sons, Kenneth of Buchanan, Lynn Jr. of Cecil and David Sr. of Paulding, Ohio; two daughters, Karen (George) Saxton Sr. and Patricia Ballard both of Van Wert, Ohio; four sisters, Pauline Hart of North Adams, Coralie Purucher and Ruth Wolfe both of Hillsdale and Virginia Barr of Reading; 16 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held August 20, at the Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding, with Reverend David Meriwether officiating. Burial was in Scott Cemetery in Van Wert County's Union Township.

The family suggests that memorial donations be made to Paulding County Visiting Nurses' Association/Hospice or the American Cancer Society.

RANGE FIRING

Camp Grayling Range Firing scheduled, during September 8-14.

Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.).

Range 40 Complex, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Sherman Rd., south of Old State Rd. 618 and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.). Aerial gunnery will be conducted.

Range 13, located south of the main post, bounded on the west by Crawford County Line, north of Daniels Rd. and east of the gas pipeline.

Small Arms Ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd., east of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek.

Range 30 Complex, located north of North Down River Rd., east of Jones Lake Rd., south of County Rd. 612 and west of Bald Hill Truck Trail.

In addition, the following roads will be closed on September 10 through September 12: Bucks East-West Truck Trail from Jones Lake Rd. to Wakeley Bridge Rd.; Ketchum Truck Trail from Bucks East-West to North Down River Rd.; Stephan Bridge Rd. from County Rd. 612 to North Down River Rd. For further information call (517) 344-6107.

MILITARY NEWS

Dean Miller, a member of the 1071st Maintenance Company, has been promoted to Staff Sergeant, E-6. The promotion occurred on July 24 and was performed by 1LT Jason Teddy, Executive Officer. Miller is now a Senior Automotive Repairman for the Track Platoon. He advises and provides technical guidance for

Richard C. Lozon

Richard Charles Lozon, 60, of Grayling, died September 4, 1999, at Mercy Hospital, Grayling.

Mr. Lozon was born October 8, 1938, in Grayling, to Chester and Evelyn (Jorden) Lozon. He married the former Betty M. McKiddie on July 30, 1960 in Sault Ste. Marie. He was employed by Gath Trucking of Standish as a truck driver and he enjoyed fishing and working on his computer. Mr. Lozon was a member of Grayling Eagles Aerie 3465 and Grayling Masonic Lodge 356 F & AM.

He was preceded in death by his father Chester Lozon and brothers Jack and Dale Lozon.

Survivors include: his wife, Betty A. Lozon of Grayling; four daughters, Deborah McLeod of Grayling; Karrie Lozon of Lake Wales, Florida, Cindy Evon of Grayling and Becky Wyman of Grayling; his mother, Evelyn Lozon of Grayling; two sisters, Emma Jean Huskins of Auburn and Gwen Hazelton of Midland; one brother, Arthur Lozon of Grayling; ten grandchildren and 2 step-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held September 7 at the Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel with Mr. David Wyman officiating. Special Services were held by both the Eagles and the Masons on Monday evening.

The family suggests that memorial donations be made to the American Heart Association.

Evert Eugene Jones

Evert Eugene Jones, 88, of Grayling, died September 5, 1999, at Mercy Manor, Grayling.

Mr. Jones was born April 9, 1911, in West Branch, to Bert and Georgia (Pray) Jones. He married the former Nellie Polmanteer on April 16, 1933 in Rose City. A Grayling resident since 1956, he was retired from the Crawford County Road Commission where he worked as a grader driver. Mr. Jones was a member of Grayling Lodge #356 F & AM and a charter member of Michigan Bow Hunters. He loved the outdoors, hunting and fishing.

He was preceded in death by his wife Nellie on September 21, 1980, and two brothers Bill and Elden Jones.

Survivors include: a son, Jack Jones of East Lansing; two daughters Beverly Walsh of Pigeon and Jill Jones of Davison; two sisters Iris (Jim) Knibbs of Roscommon and Grace Brossard of Haslett; six grandchildren; four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, September 9 at the Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, with the Grayling Lodge #356 F & AM officiating. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday. Burial will be in the Elmwood Cemetery, Grayling.

The family suggests that memorial donations be made to your favorite charity.

Harrison M. Goodhue

Harrison M. Goodhue, 92, of Grand Blanc, formerly of Birmingham and Grayling, died September 2, 1999, at Nottingham Place in Grand Blanc.

Mr. Goodhue was born December 17, 1906, in Indianapolis, Indiana, moving to Michigan when he was ten years old. He retired from General Motors in 1971 with the title of Executive in Charge of Procurement, Production Control and Traffic. He devoted many years to serving his community, particularly after his retirement, as Executive Director of the Crawford County Red Cross Chapter for over 20 years.

He was Secretary/Treasurer of the Northern Michigan GM Retirees Association for over 20 years. He was also active in the Grayling Beautification Committee, the Crawford County Commission on Aging and numerous other committees and causes. He was an avid trout fisherman, a charter member of Trout Unlimited and enjoyed decades of fishing his beloved AuSable River. He was active in the AuSable River Property Owners Association.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 52 years, Harriet in 1985; sister, Margaret Schmalzriedt in 1999 and his parents.

Survivors include: his daughter Carole (Walter) Herdrich of Holly; two grandsons, Dwight (Lauren) Herdrich of Cumberland, Maine and Craig (Kara) Herdrich of LaJolla, California; one great-grandson, Zachery Herdrich of Cumberland, Maine.

Funeral services will be held September 11 at 1 p.m. at the Swartz Funeral Home, 1225 West Hill Road, Flint with Dr. Max Hayden officiating. Burial will be in the White Chapel Cemetery in Troy. Visitation will be Friday from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the funeral home.

The family requests memorial contributions be made to the Crawford County Chapter of the American Red Cross, Grayling.

Margaret J. Ridley

Margaret J. Ridley, 73, of Grayling, died September 6, 1999, at her home.

Mrs. Ridley was born March 16, 1926, in Fairmont, Illinois, to Howard and Martha (Wolff) Jenkins. She married Robert Ridley and together they operated Ridley's Antiques in Grayling.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and one son, Robert Ridley Jr.

Survivors include: her husband, Robert Ridley; one son, Larue Ridley; one daughter, Lynn (Zane) Chwastek; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held September 9 at Uhts Funeral Home in Wayne.

Memorial donations may be made to Amicare Hospice, Grayling.

Veronica M. Neuendorf

Veronica Mae Neuendorf, 83, of Grayling, died September 5, 1999, at Wargo's Milltown Manor, Grayling.

Mrs. Neuendorf was born May 18, 1916, in Grayling, to Peter and Rose (Bennett) Lovely. She was a registered nurse living and working the Midland/Bay City area, moving to Grayling in her later years to be closer to her family.

She was preceded in death by her husband John Neuendorf in 1947.

Survivors include: nephews, Leslie Goss, John Goss, Dean Goss and Robert Lovely; nieces Phyllis Armstrong, Elaine Campbell and Jean Gannon; several grand-nieces; several grand-nephews.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, September 8, 1999 at St. Mary's Catholic Church with Reverend James Holtz officiating. Burial will be in the Elmwood Cemetery, Grayling.

Arrangements were made by the Sorenson Funeral Home, Inc., McEvers Chapel.

Leecil O. Pillsbury

Leecil O. Pillsbury, 82, of Roscommon, died September 5, 1999, at Hilltop Manor, Higgins Township.

Mr. Pillsbury was born April 28, 1917, in Prescott, to Daniel L. and Erva B. (Church) Pillsbury. He served in the Army Medical Corps during World War II. Mr. Pillsbury was a retired automobile designer for Ford Motor Company.

Survivors include: two daughters Sharon Nold of Phoenix, Arizona and Nancy Pillsbury of Detroit; one son Mark Pillsbury of Detroit; one sister Leona Bailey of Grayling; one niece Norma Secord of Grayling; one grandson and several nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, September 10 at the Richland Township Cemetery in Prescott.

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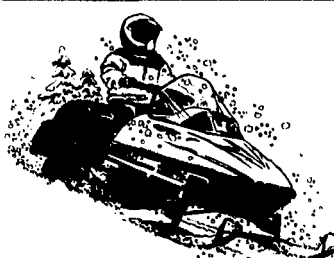
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Crawford County Avalanche

Thursday, September 9, 1999

Soccer team wins opener

► *Defending NEMC champs beat Ogemaw Heights 6-1*

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The Grayling High School Soccer Team continued where it left off in the conference last season on Monday, August 30, with a 6-1 win over West Branch Ogemaw Heights.

Junior Kyle Langseth scored five of the Grayling goals. He also posted one assist.

Jon Haskel scored one goal for GHS, and had two assists. Dave Hawkins also had two assists.

Ogemaw scored its only goal in the first half. Grayling scored three goals in each half.

Goalie Per Lampinen recorded nine keeper saves.

On September 1 the Vikings hosted Roscommon in a non-conference match-up. The Bucks won the game 3-1.

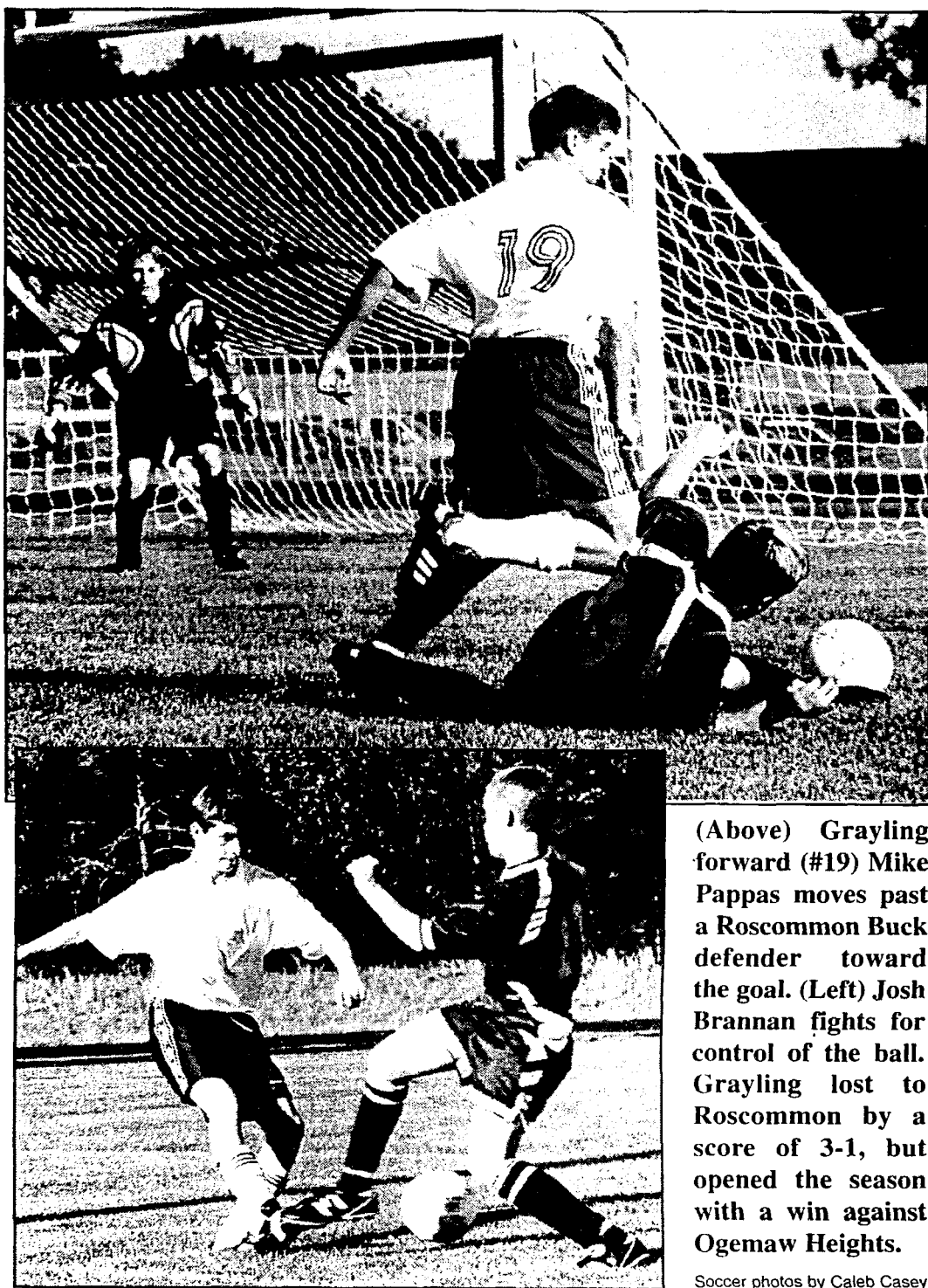
After a hard-fought, scoreless first half, the Roscommon team broke the 0-0 stalemate 24 minutes into the second half.

Langseth later had a chance to tie the game on a penalty kick, after a whistle for a handball in the Roscommon penalty box negated Langseth's shot into the net. He hit the PK to tie the game 1-1.

After an injury to Grayling defender Dan Mead, the Bucks scored a quick two goals, one on a penalty kick, to give Rosco a 3-1 lead. Grayling would not score again, and the score remained 3-1.

"Roscommon's experience really shows itself in the second half," said Coach Karen Langseth.

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(Above) Grayling forward (#19) Mike Pappas moves past a Roscommon Buck defender toward the goal. (Left) Josh Brannan fights for control of the ball. Grayling lost to Roscommon by a score of 3-1, but opened the season with a win against Ogemaw Heights.

Soccer photos by Caleb Casey

Varsity girls beat Devils

► *Strong second half leads to 21 point Viking win in season opener*

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The Varsity Girls Basketball Team defeated the visiting Gaylord Blue Devil squad last week, opening its 1999 season with a 21-point non-conference victory.

A strong second half performance helped lead to the win, as Grayling utilized its quickness and determination on both ends of the court against a slightly bigger Blue Devil team.

The Vikings actually held a lead for the entire game, following a three-pointer in the first minute of the contest by guard Carrie Cadeau.

Cadeau and Brandy Ritter scored nine of the Grayling team's 15 first quarter points. Gaylord, after missing its first three attempts from beyond the three-point line, hit two shots from downtown near the end of the period to help shrink Grayling's lead.

The Vikes led by three going into the second, 15-12.

Grayling's Melanie Paxton opened the second period with a long jumper, and later a three-point bucket. With about five minutes left in the half, Ritter converted a three-point play, hit a three-point shot, and put up a basket inside on a rebound to start a 10-1 Grayling run.

With 2:36 remaining in the first half, Cadeau put in two shots from the free throw line on a one and one opportunity to give GHS a 13 point lead, 30-17.

Gaylord then started to utilize its height advantage in the paint, outscoring Grayling 9-2 for the

remainder of the half, including four buckets from under the basket.

The Vikings went into the locker room at halftime with a six point lead, 32-26.

At that point, Gaylord had some momentum, and it looked to be anyone's ball game.

Grayling scored the first basket of the half, cutting the Grayling lead to four. The Blue Devils played a more aggressive defensive style, including a full court press to open the quarter.

The Vikings stepped up to the challenge, however, scoring seven unanswered points to increase their lead to 11 points.

After a Gaylord bucket, GHS outscored the Devils 9-5 for the rest of the quarter. Grayling went into the fourth period with a 13 point edge, 48-35.

The fourth quarter was an especially physical eight minutes, as both teams went well past the 10 foul mark for the second half.

Twenty-four free throws were shot in the fourth period alone, 12 by each team. Both teams shot a respectable percentage down the stretch, as Grayling hit nine of 12 and Gaylord hit eight.

Grayling's offense played better from the floor in the final minutes, as Ritter, Andrea Elmy, Emily Fox and Tanya Helsel all hit field goals in the fourth period.

Helsel scored the last basket of the game to put Grayling ahead by 21, leading to the final score of 68-47.

Overall, Ritter led the offensive attack with 24 points. Cadeau put in 12 points, and Elmy scored 11. In all, 11 of the Grayling girls scored points in the game.

"Melanie Paxton led the team in a very well-played second half with four of our team's 13 second half steals," said Coach Chris Duncleley.

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Tennis team starts '99 season



(Below) Marianne Vollmer returns a volley during a singles event last week. After opening the '99 season with a meet at Oscoda, the Grayling High School Girls Tennis Team hosted Alpena and Boyne City in separate meets last week.



(Above) Grayling tennis player Katie Bonne hits a serve. (Right) Stacey Kuhn serves for GHS in a doubles event.

Tennis photos by Cheryl Ruley

Grayling defense stifles Gaylord

► *JV team blanks Devils for entire third quarter, beats Gaylord 39-22*

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The GHS JV Girls Basketball Team opened its 1999 season with a victory over Gaylord last Tuesday, beating the Blue Devils by a final score of 39-22.

Strong defense paved the way for the Viking victory, as Grayling held the Devils to 13 points in the first two periods, and nine points in the second half. GHS held Gaylord scoreless for the first 11 minutes of the second half, which included a blanking of the Devils for the entire third period.

Grayling jumped out to an early lead in the game, finishing the first period with a 12-0 run, including two three-pointers by Jamie Dent in the last two minutes of the quarter.

Emily Henion and Michele Elsner also scored in the period. Grayling led 14-4 after one quarter of play.

Gaylord helped its cause in the second period with some baskets down low, and the Devils capitalized on three of four from the free throw line.

Henion scored six points in the

quarter, including a jumper as time expired, giving Grayling a 21-13 halftime lead.

Solid rebounding in the paint and tenacious defense by Grayling helped the Vikings hold Gaylord scoreless for the entire third quarter.

Dent, Elsner, and Tracy Parkinson all scored for Grayling in the period. The Vikes led by 20 going into the fourth, 33-13.

Grayling scored the first two buckets of the final quarter, including a shot inside by Alexis Sumner and a jumper by Parkinson.

With GHS playing to burn the clock, Gaylord scored seven unanswered points in the last three-and-a-half minutes of the contest, cutting the Grayling lead to 17. The Vikes won 39-22.

Henion led the Viking scoring with 12 points. Dent scored 11 points, Elsner put in seven points, and Parkinson scored five.

The JV team's next two games will be played on the road: the Vikes are scheduled to face West Branch Ogemaw Heights on Thursday, September 9, and will take on the Gladwin Flying G's in Gladwin on Tuesday, September 14.

The next home game for Grayling will be on Thursday, September 16, versus Tawas. Game starts at 6:15 p.m.

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Lee Riley, Picnic Chair

Soccer team wins opener

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(Mead had to be taken to the hospital after being struck in the head by a free kick. He will probably not play for a couple weeks. Coach Langseth said.)

"We seemed to have a lot of nerves in the first week. The kids put a lot of pressure on themselves," said Coach Langseth. "In the first two games we learned a lot of what we have to work on. There were some good things that the athletes were able to do."

"It was really good for us to get that first week out of the way," continued Langseth. "We've got a good group of athletes who are dedicated and not afraid to work hard."

The team is now 1-0 in the North East Michigan Conference and 1-1 overall. Grayling won the NEMC title last season.

The soccer team will host Gaylord this Thursday (September 9). The game, which starts at 5 p.m., will be played in Viking Stadium (Don Ferguson Field).



(Above) Dave Hawkins takes a corner kick for Grayling in last Thursday's game against the Bucks.



Kyle Langseth moves the ball downfield past a Roscommon defender. Langseth has scored six goals in two games for Grayling so far this season.

Avalanche

Viking of the Week



Boys Golf
Coach: Herb Olson
CHET WHEELER & MATT MITCHELL

Chet was a medalist against Roscommon and six of his nine-hole scores have been between 39 and 44. "Consistency is the key," said Coach Olson. Matt was a medalist against Mio and West Branch, and is off to a good start in his final high school season.

GHS golfers top Rosco, Mio

► Golf team beats Bucks by 1 stroke, Grayling off to a promising start

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The GHS Boys Golf Team outscored the Roscommon Bucks 181-182 on Tuesday, August 24, opening its dual meet schedule with a win.

Sophomore Chet Wheeler scored a medal for Grayling in the one-stroke victory.

"This was a great win," said Coach Herb Olson. "I can't remember the last time we beat Rosco, especially on their course (Fox Run

Country Club)."

On Thursday, August 26, the GHS golf team hosted Mio. The Vikings racked up their second win of the season, beating Mio 173-182.

Matt Mitchell had the low Grayling score with a 41. Wheeler and Kyle Roman both shot a 43. Max Schreiner scored a 46, and Nate Everson shot a 49.

"The boys shot great," said Coach Olson. "This took our dual meet record to 2-0, and I know they can shoot 10 strokes better at home, easily."

The Grayling team had some trouble on the greens in its next meet, falling to Ogemaw Heights 177-175 at the West Branch Country Club.

"A tough loss," said Olson. "We lost this one on the greens. These

greens provide putts with much more break than the boys are used to. We had 18 double and triple bogies that went into our score."

Mitchell took a medal at the West Branch meet with a score of 40. Wheeler shot a 44, Schreiner scored a 46, Roman a 47, and Everson 49. The team's meet scheduled for September 1 against Gladwin was officially postponed, but the teams did play the round.

Mitchell led the team with an impressive score of 33. Wheeler shot a 39.

"Bob Collin had his best yet score of 44 and Max Schreiner and Nate Everson had 45's," said Coach Olson. "Team score of 161 is our best yet."

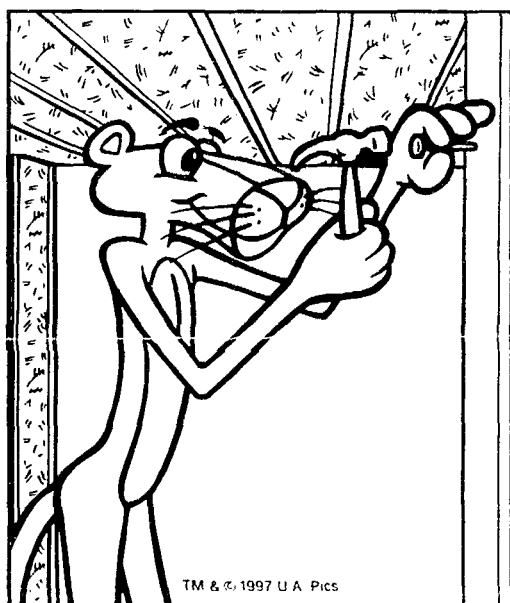
The Grayling golf team started out its '99 season with a 22-team tourney at Boyne Mountain, the Boyne City Invitational.

"This is always a tough tourney for the team," said Coach Olson. "Difficult layout, first match of the year, and only two practice days to prepare. This was actually one of our best scores ever at this event."

The team ended up with a score of 364. Mitchell and Wheeler were the top scorers with 82 and 84, respectively.

The GHS golfers will travel to Tawas on Thursday, September 9, and will head to McBain on Monday, September 13. The Vikes are scheduled to play at home on Tuesday, September 14, against Pinconning.

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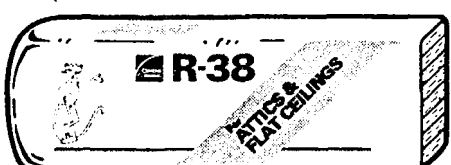
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JV team finishes strong, beats HL

► Junior varsity football team moves to 2-0 with win over Bobcats

by Dave Gohnick
Student Writer

The JV football team defeated the Houghton Lake Bobcats Thursday by a score of 29-14 to increase its record to 2-0. The Vikings freshmen team was combined with the JV squad for the match.

The game started out as a war of attrition, with both teams battling for field position early. The Vikings ended the stalemate with a 51-yard touchdown run from Juell Joseph late in the first quarter. The two-point conversion failed, making the score 6-0.

The Bobcats, not to be outdone, struck back. A time-consuming drive saw the Bobcats score in the final minutes of the first quarter. The Bobcats converted on their two-point attempt to change the score to 8-6 in favor of Houghton Lake.

The second quarter started with a short Bobcat pass that was picked off by Viking Brandon Gorr. The turnover gave Grayling good field position for their march down the field, which ended in a 30-yard touchdown run from Nate Haskel.

The Vikings tossed a pitch to tailback Joseph to complete the two-point play, making the score 14-8 Grayling.

The Bobcats mounted a long drive towards the end of the half, but key plays by the Viking defense ensured that the score remained 14-8 going into the locker room at half-time.

The third quarter started with another long Bobcat drive, which ended in a 7-yard touchdown. The Viking defense stuffed the two-



(Above) In the game last week against Roscommon, the Grayling JV team's defense attacks the Buck ball carrier.

point attempt to deadlock the score at 14-14.

The next drive saw a Grayling touchdown on a 65-yard pass from Larry Baynham to Keil Clough. The two-point conversion pass was completed to Marvin Forbes, making the score 22-14 Grayling.

The Vikings had taken the momentum, and began to run away with the game as their defense swarmed all over the Bobcats.

Grayling recovered an errant punt snap and ran it into the end zone. The final point was added with a Tom King extra point kick. The final score was 29-14.

The Vikings will be on the road for the next two weeks with games at Gladwin and Tawas. The next JV home game will be September 23 against the Saginaw Valley Lutheran Chargers.



Viking running back Nate Haskel carries the ball for Grayling.

Varsity girls beat Gaylord

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"Every time Gaylord pulled within a few baskets, our team really picked up the intensity," said Dunckley. "I was pleased with the desire they all showed. I could not ask for more out of these kids."

Grayling will begin play with North East Michigan Conference teams this week with an away game at West Branch Ogemaw Heights on September 9.

Next week, the Vikes will continue their NEMC schedule by facing Gladwin on September 14, at Gladwin, and by hosting Tawas on September 16. Both games start at 6:15 p.m.



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The JV defense stops a Roscommon running play in last week's game.

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Redskins F2 team dismantles Raiders

► Strong performance on offense helps Grayling start '99 season with a win

by Caleb Casey Staff Writer

The Grayling Redskins Freshman 2 team won its season opener on Saturday, September 4, with a 38-6 victory over the Twining Raiders in Twining.

Joe Bancroft, Nate Helsel, Reagan Schmidt, Zach Dean and Zac Baker all scored touchdowns for Grayling.

"Our offense moved the ball well," said Coach Jeff Parkinson. "Zac Baker threw the ball well to his receivers, as Nate Helsel, Zac Dean and Nick Parkinson had some fine catches. Our running game was great with Joe Bancroft, Reagan Schmidt, and Chris Curtis all gaining good yardage."

"We did not have to punt all day," added Parkinson.

"They stopped us up the middle, but we have good speed and went to our outside game and beat them there," said Coach Parkinson.

On defense, Grayling allowed just six Raider points, all of which came in the first period. The Redskins held Twining scoreless for the remaining three quarters of play.

"Zach Dean and Robert Starks had some key stops for us. Trish Peterson had a good interception to stop one drive by Twining. Our defense caused five fumbles by Twining," said Coach Parkinson. "Baker, Eli Vannuck and Nick Parkinson had recoveries. (Our) defense kept Twining from really getting any good drives going, and when they did move the ball, we caused a turnover to stop them."

"I was very pleased with the overall play of everyone," said Parkinson. "Everyone stepped up and played a great game -- even the first year players played a key role to help us win. The kids were fired up from the start to finish, it was a great first win. We hope they can play this way for the next six games."

The team's next game will be played at Ogemaw on Sunday, September 12.

Grayling Redskins F1 team edges Ogemaw Browns

► Grayling back runs for 130 yards, defense secures win in fourth quarter

The Grayling Redskin Freshman 1 football team won its season opener against the Ogemaw Browns in Twining by a final score of 13-12.

Grayling's Joel Wilson ran for over 130 yards, scored a touchdown, and recorded six tackles. Alan Lehman scored a TD and had four tackles for the Redskins.

The game didn't start as out as the Redskins had planned, as the Browns took the opening kick-off back for a touchdown. J.C. Schneider and Billy Stewart combined to stop the extra point conversion.

The Redskins, on their opening possession marched 70 yards on a run by Wilson and Neal Cook. It was capped off by a 7-yard touchdown by Lehman. Grayling converted the extra point to take a one-point lead.

The Redskins defense stopped the Browns' next possession. James Walker's 40-yard run set up a 5-yard Wilson touchdown.

The Grayling team's offense moved the ball well in the second half, but costly turnovers kept the Browns in the game.

With the Browns on the Redskin 15-yard line with seven seconds left, Mitch Freeman and Wilson stopped the Browns quarterback to seal the victory.

"I was very happy with the whole team's performance, especially the play of first year players Mitch Freeman and Jesse Ulrich," said Coach Rich Cook. "Other notables are Adam Peterson and Casey McQuann with three tackles, and Corey Metzger had a fumble recovery."

The Redskins F1 team has a "bye" next week. On Sunday, September 19, the Grayling squad will face Ogemaw 1 at home at 12 noon.

LEGAL ACTION

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD Claims Notice Independent Probate

File No. 99-6021-IE

Estate of Paul Andrew Junttila, deceased, 372-26-2260.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Your interest in the estate may be barred or affected by the following: The decedent, whose last known address was 344 Golfview Drive, Grayling, MI 49738 died May 4, 1999. An instrument dated February 5, 1986 has been admitted as the will of the deceased. Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the independent personal representative, John D. Junttila c/o David R. Sabin, 115 Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738 or to both the independent personal representative and the Crawford County Probate Court, 200 Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan 49738, within four months of the date of publication of this notice.

Notice is further given that the estate will be thereafter assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it.

David R. Sabin P19822
115 Michigan Avenue
Grayling, MI 49738
(517) 348-5588

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This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Todd Ihke (original mortgagor) to Republic Bank dba Flagship Capital, a Florida Corporation, Mortgagee, dated August 24, 1998, and recorded on September 8, 1998, in Liber 462, on page 322, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SEVENTY-FOUR THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY-FOUR AND 63/100 dollars (\$74,854.63), including interest at 9.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the Court Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 o'clock A.M., on October 6, 1999.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF GRAYLING, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 21, Block 2, KAREN WOODS, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 44, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: August 26, 1999
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
248-593-1300
Trott & Trott P.C.
Attorneys and Counselors
30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 990505546
Hawks

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Peter M. Schneiderman & Associates, P.C. is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Ray D. McIntyre to Midwest Mortgage, Inc., Mortgagee, dated November 25, 1996, and recorded on November 27, 1996, in Liber 422, on page 156, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of EIGHT THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED NINE AND 95/100 DOLLARS (\$8,509.95), including interest at 8.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the Court Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 o'clock A.M., on Wednesday, September 29, 1999.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

LOTS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, AND 8, BLOCK 2, PORTAGE LAKE PARK 5TH ADDITION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN LIBER 01 OF PLATS, PAGE 24, CRAWFORD COUNTY RECORDS. TAX ID # 045-765-02-001-00

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: August 10, 1999
Midwest Mortgage, Inc.,
Mortgagee
PETER M. SCHNEIDERMAN & ASSOCIATES, P.C.
30300 Northwestern Highway, Suite 222
Farmington Hills, MI 48334

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Rex A. Robbins, and Lynn Robbins, husband and wife, aka Lynn M. Robbins (original mortgagors) to Standard Federal Bank, Mortgagee, dated June 10, 1994, and recorded on June 29, 1994, in Liber 379, on page 417, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FIFTY-ONE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED NINE THIRTY-THREE AND 78/100 dollars (\$51,393.78), including interest at 8.000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the Court Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 o'clock A.M., on October 13, 1999.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF GRAYLING, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot Numbered 18, Pinehurst Subdivision, as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Pages 2, 3 and 4, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: Sept. 2, 1999
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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Attorneys and Counselors
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Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 990201913
Ravens

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jo Ellen B. Ventline and Edward D. Ventline, husband and wife (original mortgagors) to CITIZENS BANK (f/k/a Grayling State Bank, a Michigan Corporation), Mortgagee, dated March 17, 1995, and recorded on March 24, 1995, in Liber 391, on page 551, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of TWENTY-SIX THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED THIRTY-FIVE AND 37/100 dollars (\$26,435.37), including interest at 8.000% per annum. Adjustable rate mortgage. Interest rate may change 4/1 each year.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the Court Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 o'clock A.M., on October 6, 1999.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF BEAVER CREEK, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

The East 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 3, Town 25 North, Range 3 West.

The redemption period shall be 12 month(s) from the date of such sale.

Dated: Sept. 2, 1999
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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Attorneys and Counselors
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File # 97054045
Ravens

INVITATION TO BID

Beaver Creek Township is requesting construction bids on a 40' by 72' office building. The building is to be constructed at 8888 S. Grayling Road, Grayling, MI and will be attached to the existing Community Center. Beaver Creek Township wishes to contract with a general contractor from start to finished structure. Bid specifications and prints may be secured for bidding purposes by contacting Lt. Roger Weatherly at the Beaver Creek Fire Department, Phone 517-275-8548. Office hours at B.C.F.D. are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Mon. through Fri. General Contract Bidders must include in their bid the cost of a 100% Performance Bond and 100% Materials and Labor Payment Bond.

Sealed bids must be returned to the Beaver Creek Township Office, located at 8994 S. Oak Rd. Grayling, MI 49738, Phone: 517-275-8878, on or before 2 p.m., Monday, October 11, 1999. The bidder must clearly display on the envelope containing the bid his or her Name, Address, Phone Number and that is in fact a bid on the Beaver Creek Township Office Building.

Beaver Creek Township reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR ROAD AND STREET LIGHT SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLLS

The Grayling Township Board will hold PUBLIC HEARINGS on Wednesday, September 15, 1999, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way (W M-72 HWY), Grayling, to receive and review public comment regarding the following tentative Special Assessment Rolls:

7:00 p.m. Sumac/TremPal Private Road Maintenance Special Assessment District Renewal.

7:15 p.m. Hanner Trail Private Road Maintenance Special Assessment District Renewal.

7:30 p.m. Wilderness Trail Private Road Maintenance Special Assessment District Renewal.

7:45 p.m. Pappy's Trail Private Road Maintenance Special Assessment District Renewal.

8:00 p.m. Red Tailed Hawk Loop Street Light Special Assessment District.

Property owners fronting on these roads or using same for access that feel they would not benefit from the Special Assessment should be present at this hearing or notify Grayling Township, in writing, prior to the hearing to protect their rights for further appeal.

Tentative assessment rolls are available for inspection at the Grayling Township Hall during regular business hours.

Correspondence concerning the projects may be directed to Grayling Township, P.O. Box 521, Grayling, MI. 49738. Phone 517-348-4361 or FAX 517-348-6713.

Monica S. Ashton, C.M.C.
Grayling Township Clerk

NOTICE

Beaver Creek Township Residents.

Clean-up for disposal of used household appliances and furniture. Saturday, September 18, 1999. Merrio Road Transfer Site 8:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.

No building materials, no car parts, no appliances with freon, no yard waste. You must present a current dump sticker (red/silver in color) or you will not be allowed to dispose of refuse.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED 1999-2000 BUDGET FOR THE ROAD COMMISSION FOR CRAWFORD COUNTY

The Road Commission for Crawford County will be holding a Special Meeting September 16, 1999 at 11:00 a.m. during their regular board meeting, at their Grayling office located at 500 Huron Street, P.O. Box 648, Grayling, MI 49738-00648.

Purpose for the meeting is to discuss and possibly approve the proposed 1999-2000 Road Commission for Crawford County Budget.

The Road Commission shall review any and all comments regarding the proposed budget prior to the approval of same.

Notice posted 9-2-1999.

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LOVELLS TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing will be held at the Lovells Township Hall on September 14, 1999 during the regular meeting of the board at 7:00 pm for the purpose of determining the special assessment for fiscal year 2000-2001 for operation of the Fire Department.

Cheryl Hopp
Lovells Township Clerk

CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS BUDGET HEARING NOTICE

The Crawford County Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan Ave., Grayling, Michigan on Wednesday, September 15, 1999 at 10:00 am a copy of the proposed 1999-2000 budget is available for public inspection beginning Tuesday, September 7th at the County Clerk's Office during normal business hours.

Sandra Moore
County Clerk

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Joe and Karyn Smock



Jim, 13; Ray, 9; Sarah, 4 -
Tim and Cindy Pease



Heather, 16; Nikki, 12;
Ethan, 9; Arieal, 8 -
Sharon and Perry Lynch



Amanda, 10 -
Steve and Wanda Jackson



Brooke, 1 and 1/2 -
Bill and Carol Thayer



Krymson, 2 and 1/2 -
Louis and Barb Turner



Caitlin, 4; Cierra, 2;
Erin, 4 months; Emma, 4 months -
Max and Jackie Prosser



Christina, 14 months -
Chad and Teresa Bonamie



Sydnee, 4 -
Kathie and Tim Sheldon



Monica, 10; Emily, 3;
Molly, 3 months -
Karen Leslie



Shane Turner, 3 and 1/2 -
Jennifer Turner



Jonathan, 10; Jennifer, 7;
Jamie, 5; Jordan, 1 -
Brock Denton and Michele Moshier



Taylor, 2; Brittany, 1 -
Terry and Brenda Neilson



Anthony, 7 months -
Michele Moshier



Peri, 1 and 1/2 -
Charlene Scheer



Danielle, 10 -
Chris and Angel Lighthall



Miranda, 4; Brock, 22;
David, 13; T.J., 12 -
Jackie R. Prater



Lyric, 3 months -
Brent and Stephanie Leas



Joey, 4 and 1/2; Brandon, 3 -
Dave and Dusty Latusek



Zane, 5 and 1/2; Scout, 3 -
Rocky and Shelly Tobin



Taylor, 5; Jacob, 2 -
Jason and Shawn Thayer



McKienze, 9 months -
Michael and Yvonne Shawn



Zachary, 8; Wesley, 8; Spencer, 6 -
Denis Ward and Scott Rasmusson



Harry, 15; Marina, 10;
Shannon, 9; Joshua, 7 -
Sandy Davis



Raven, 8 months -
Bob Dobson and Sandy Davis



Kyle, 12; Joshua, 9; Jordan, 7;
Mikayla, 5 -
Jeffery and Patricia Luce



Mason, 2; Maddi, 2 weeks -
Marilyn Papendick
and Jerry Gauthier



Skyler, 2 -
Angie Papendick and John Moggo



Kara, 5; Andrea, 5; Megan, 3 -
Ann Malm



Joey, 2 -
Rose Reynolds



Majerle, 4; Madison, 3 -
Rhonda Nielson



Chanaiyee, 5 -
Eric and Julie Swander



Frederick Thomas, 9 months -
Fred and Tamara Fisher



Marisa, 16 and 1/2; Tara, 14;
Chelsea, 11 -
Eileen Papendick



Roger, 8 and 1/2 months -
Gretchen and Walter Walsh



Paige, 4 and 1/2 months -
Jack and Melissa Millikin



Taiia, 8; James, 2 -
Jim and Bonnie Piper



Kelsey, 9 months -
Brian Palmer and Tammy Rock

FEATURES

HOROSCOPES

For The Week Of September 12-18

Aries
March 21-April 20
Keep a close watch on details and fine print, especially those involving money and finances. Making small changes now could mean a big payoff later. Remember to make time for yourself. Refuse to get drawn into other people's disputes.

Taurus
April 21-May 21
Establish a routine and stick to it. Set your priorities and focus on what is truly important to you. Your natural abilities emerge, especially if you have an audience. You'll renew old friendships and make new ones. Don't take things for granted.

Gemini
May 22-June 21
Now is the time to keep emotions under control. Study situations before taking action. Storms on the domestic horizon will blow over if you let them. It would be best to finish one project before starting a new one. Watch your diet and health.

Cancer
June 22-July 22
Let others take center stage. Wait and watch for the right moment to make a move. Don't worry, you'll know when the time is right to move into the spotlight. Talk over concerns, especially financial, with someone whose advice you trust.

Leo
July 23-August 23
Work hard and stay focused on your goals. Ignore distractions and strive to keep worries in check. Things will work out as they should. There is a growing chance for travel and romance. Be aware of the signs of trouble at home and work.

Virgo
August 24-September 22
The pressure of conflicting duties and desires at work and home could build up. Know what is really required of you. Try to see the big picture and let the little things work themselves out. Stay in touch with a mentor or adviser.

Libra
September 23-October 23
You can learn from past mistakes if you try. Don't force your opinion—talking softly is better than carrying a big stick. Work behind the scenes and let others take credit for ideas and actions. Your time will come.

Scorpio
October 24-November 22
See things as others do. Giving in a little now can put you in a position to get more later. Take a breather if necessary. Pushing yourself too hard could backfire and keep you from reaching goals. Your mate really does want to help if you allow it.

Sagittarius
November 23-December 21
Don't let things pile up at work or home. Keep on top of things for best results. Keep resolutions about diet and health. Stay in the middle of the road for best results. It's a time for waiting and watching.

Capricorn
December 22-January 20
Read the fine print and study details closely. Problems could be simmering just below the surface. Deal with them and save time and aggravation later. Your situation will improve in time. Wrap up a long-running project at work.

Aquarius
January 21-February 18
A potential ally is waiting for the right moment to make a move. Don't dwell on health and relationship issues. Trying to force things only makes the situation worse. Now is the time to avoid unnecessary expenses. Keep a close eye on budget and finances.

Pisces
February 19-March 20
It's up to you to keep current on situations. Hold others accountable and get things in writing. Your mate and business partners may grumble, but in time they will see you're right. Asking the right question at the right time could prove important.

For Entertainment Purposes Only

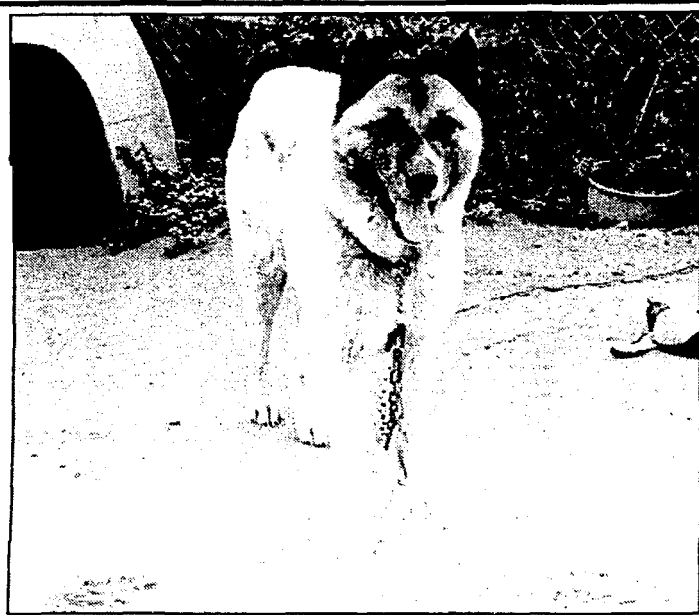
RECIPES OF THE WEEK

Spicy Southern-Style Pork Spareribs

Serves 4
4 pounds pork spareribs cut into 2-rib portions
1/4 cup honey
1/4 cup ketchup
1/4 cup red wine vinegar
1/4 cup orange juice
2 garlic cloves, minced
1 tbsp. pepper sauce
1/2 tsp. salt

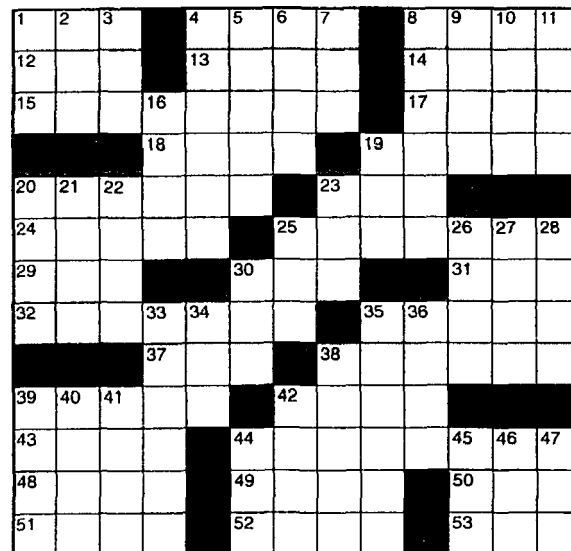
Heat spareribs and enough water to cover to boiling in 5-quart saucepan over high

heat. Reduce heat to low; cover and simmer 1 hour or until ribs are fork-tender. Drain. Meanwhile, for grilling sauce: heat honey, ketchup, vinegar, orange juice, garlic, pepper sauce and salt to boiling in 1-quart saucepan over high heat. Reduce heat to low; simmer, uncovered, 5 minutes or until mixture thickens. Preheat grill to medium or preheat oven to 450° F. Place ribs on rack in grill or on rack in broiler pan; brush with grilling sauce. Cook for 20 minutes or until heated through, brushing occasionally with grilling sauce and turning once.



HOME NEEDED - Duke is a 4 year old male Akita. Very friendly and housebroken. To adopt any of the pets available, stop by or give the Animal Shelter of Crawford County a call at 348-4117.

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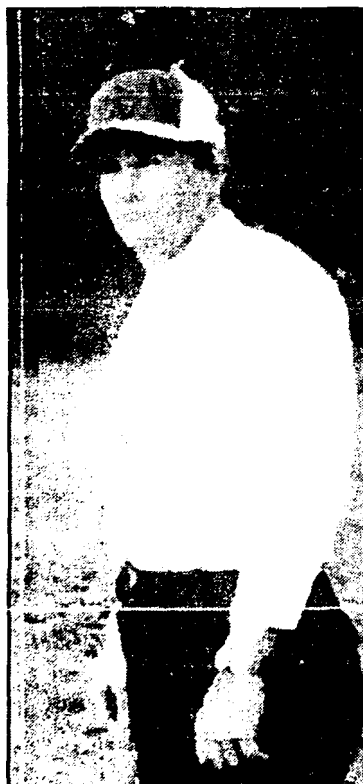
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- Vitality
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- Like Archie's friend Moose
- Blankets and sheets, e.g.
- Thanksgiving mo.
- Model Carol
- Engine need
- Whoever
- Poundstone or Abdul
- _____ tree
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- Vile anagram and synonym
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DOWN

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- Roswell lander, some say
- PBJ cousin
- Shrink in fear
- Travis of C&W
- Walk on _____ (be cautious)
- Basketball's Unseld
- Christian soldiers' direction
- Encumbrance
- Aquatic bird
- Cash for cards
- Possessive pronoun
- Lassie's escort
- Author O'Brien
- _____ Wilderness (Nelson Algren)
- "Green" emotion
- B-52, e.g.
- Poet Robert
- Debt markers
- The Aswan dams it
- _____ To Be Unhappy
- Miss Clare of *Bleak House*
- Taps instruments
- Unlock, to a poet
- Young hen
- B.A. part
- Cat and bird, e.g.
- Ship's name in *Ship of Fools*
- Tied up
- Skin
- Bicarbonate of _____
- Hat or frat
- "Home Improvement" husband
- Lengthen
- Ruddy

ANSWERS IN CLASSIFIEDS

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE



NEW VIKING Head Football Coach, Bill Klinger, is shown above getting ready for the season opener against Harrison, Sep. 10, 1976.

23 Years Ago
September 9, 1976

Paul Sojka, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Sojka, graduated from MSU in June with high honors from the Honors College. His major is physics and he is continuing at MSU for his master's in Mechanical Engineering.

Andre and Francoise Cofferrant of Paris, France recently spent a week in Grayling meeting with Fred Bear. Mrs. Cofferrant is Europe's best read Archery Columnist and her husband is highly active in the promotion of the sport throughout Europe. The couple is working very closely with The Fred Bear Sports Club in the promotion of the sport and the legalization of bowhunting seasons

in Europe.

Mary Kay Hunter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Les Hunter arrived in Grayling to spend a short time with her parents.

Mrs. Richard Campbell and three children from Washington state visited her mother, Mrs. Helen Harwood for two months. Richard was out to sea. He is stationed at Beirut.

More than 4,000 specially imprinted Bear Archery Golf Balls were distributed to employees as a result of their having attained the manufacturing and shipment goals through June set by the local Bear Staff at the beginning of 1976.

46 Years Ago
September 10, 1953

Jerome Kessler, veteran employee of the Grayling Post Office has been named assistant Postmaster, it was announced this week by Postmaster James Post.

The veteran canoe racing team of Don Feldhauser of Grayling and Bernard Fowler, of Vanderbilt, finally broke into the winners circle in the seventh running of the Annual Michigan Canoe Championship as they slashed 28.5 minutes from last year's record time.

At the Michigan District Kiwanis Convention held in Ann Arbor last week, Earl R. Burns, was named as Lt. Governor of the 14th Division.

The Swansons have erected a new sign at their cabins south of Grayling on US-27 and henceforth will do business under their new name "Southgate Motel."

69 Years Ago
September 11, 1930

Primary election had some quite unexpected upsets and a number of close contests, C.J. McNamara and Harry Souders had a close run for the office of Country Road Commissioner, only 19 difference.

Mac won. Mrs. Eva Reagan running on slips for Register of Deeds made a whirlwind campaign winning with a plurality of 48 votes.

Herb Gothro is enjoying a week's vacation from his duties as barber at the Matson-McCullough Shop. Efner Matson was back on the job Monday after a week's vacation.

Marius Hanson is feel good over a 39 score that he shot Tuesday. Roy Milnes, too, turned in a 39 first of the week. That is remarkable since this is Roy's first year at golf. T.P. Peterson is one the latest to take up the game.

Farnum Matson drove to Battle Creek today accompanying Miss Elizabeth who will enter Battle Creek School of Physical Education.

School has started at Lovells with Miss Nellie Fry as teacher.

Doris, Hattie and Jennie Small of Lovells have gone to Mio to attend High School.

92 Years Ago
September 12, 1907

Miss Florence Tromble went to Detroit yesterday where she will take a position as nurse in St. Mary's Hospital

It is reported that the jury on the McKinley and Brown robbery case stood for a long time 11 to 1 for conviction, and at no time was less than 9 to 3.

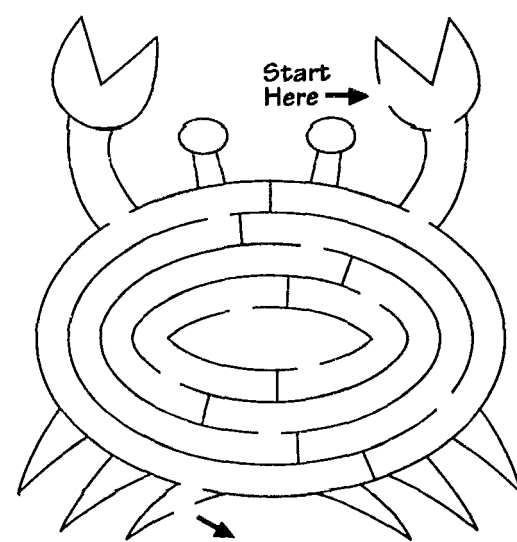
John Mason caught a flying piece of plank from the edger in the big mill last week. It cut an ugly gash across the cheek and knocked him out of the ring, worse than a defeated prize fighter.

The Douglas Co. has the frame up for a new barn. Business is expanding.

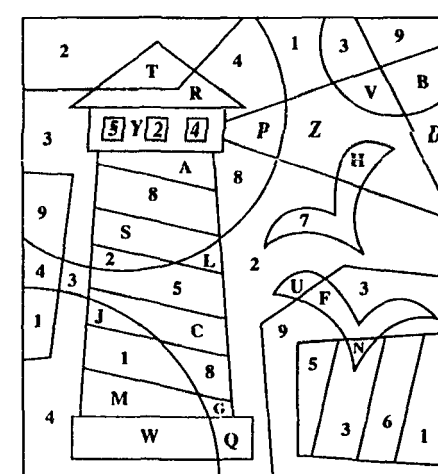
Blackberries are being gathered by the wagon load. It would make an artistic soul grow glad to get a snapshot at some of the feminine parties in the brush, as they are encased in trousers and rubber boots. Nelson's load of Monday is said to have won the prize.



MAZE



HIDDEN PICTURE



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WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Date	H	L	8 a.m.	Rainfall
8/31	79	41	47	
9/1	84	45	47	
9/2	89	46	50	
9/3	90	49	49	
9/4	90	48	49	
9/5	90	49	65	
9/6	69	41	44	

Extended Forecast courtesy of the U.S. Weather Service in Gaylord:
Wednesday - mostly cloudy with a 30% chance of showers and a high of 70-75.
Thursday - mostly cloudy with a low of 50-55 and a high in the mid to upper 60's.
Friday - chance of showers with a low in the mid 40's and a high in the low to mid 60's.
Saturday - dry with a low of 40-45 and a high in the mid 60's.

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2. For Rent

HOUSE FOR LEASE In Kalkaska County, 15688 M-72 West, Grayling, Michigan. Partial furnished with three bedroom plus on 2.5 acres, no pets. Applications taken at site September 10, 11, 12, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. \$375 month, plus security. For info, call 517-389-4626 or P.O. Box 216, St. Helen, MI 48656 (-2-9-16/2)

CLEAN TWO BEDROOM MOBILE with shed. \$350 per month. Security deposit and references required. No pets. 517-348-8386 (-9-16/2)

JUST A FEW MILES from town. This two-three bedroom home sits in the woods on the main branch of the AuSable River. \$600 a month plus gas and utilities. Call for an appointment evenings 517-348-8624. (-2-9/2)

2. For Rent

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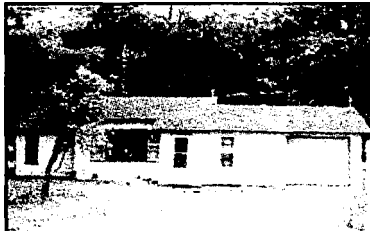
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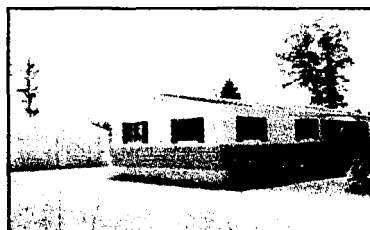
125' FRONTAGE ON AU SABLE RIVER! The inviting living room radiates hospitality and charm in this 4 bedroom riverfront home. Stay cozy and warm with the woodstove and brick fireplace. Large kitchen with ample storage to ensure home cooked meals. Kid's retreat with plenty of space for toys and play. Surrounded by wildlife, the location couldn't be better! \$168,000 CS-1008



RUSTIC KNOTTY PINE INTERIOR. Very affordable home just 1/2 mile from city limits. 2 bedroom, 1 bath ranch. Natural gas heating. 10x12 storage building. Home is currently rented. By appointment only. \$33,000 CH-1011



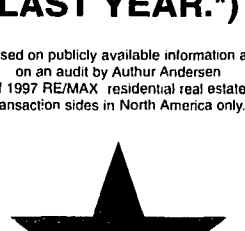
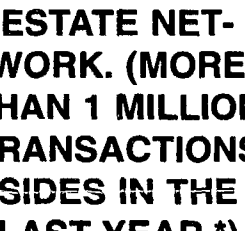
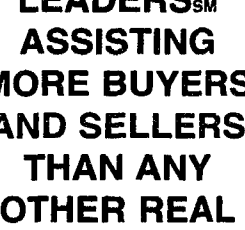
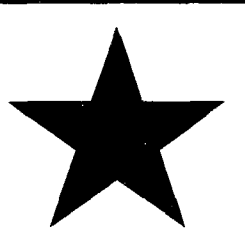
CHARMING 3 BEDROOM, 1 1/2 bath with full basement. Nice location just minutes from town. Natural gas forced air heat, cable T.V., 2 car garage with cement apron, 3 decks and sidewalk. Appliances include stove, refrigerator, dishwasher and washer. \$68,000 CS-930



"SPOTLESS" Three bedroom home! Large double lot. Like new range, refrigerator, microwave, washer, dryer and hot water heater. 10x15 covered rear patio. Digital programmable natural gas thermostat. No Appointment Necessary. \$49,900 CH-986



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CONVENIENT LOCATION just outside city limits. Blacktop driveway and covered front porch. 11x20 family room with door onto patio. Heated / insulated garage. Two storage buildings. This is a good quality ranch home with original decor. \$65,900 CH-970



OPEN FLOOR DRAMATIZES VERSATILE INTERIOR! 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, natural gas heat, city water & sewer. Family room, living room, dining area & kitchen offers open floor plan. Cathedral ceilings, 5.5x4 dry bar off living room. French doors out to back yard. Master suite offers large walk-in closet, bath with garden tub & separate shower. Dining room offers built in hutch. Cable TV. Double lot in the city with 2 car garage. \$60,000 CS-974



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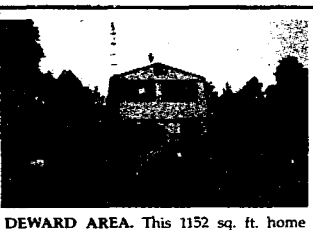
THIS CHARMING HOME on Batterson Road offers 1352 sq. ft., 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, newer kitchen, hobby room and a 14x28 carport. Reduced \$54,900 (DM-1258)



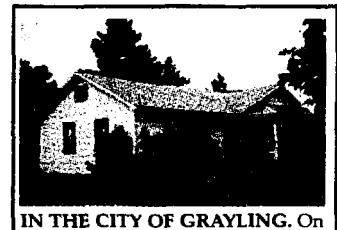
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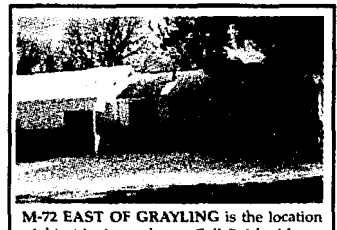
CLOSE ACCESS TO LAKE MARGRETHE with a shared dock. 5 bedroom home with a new addition in 1998. New roof, siding, well, septic & much more. A beautiful setting and home is in excellent condition. \$115,000 (LM-1249)



DEWARD AREA. This 1152 sq. ft. home offers 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, great room, screened porch, 123' frontage on the Manistee River all on approximately 5 acres. Great fishing. Reduced \$125,000 (DM-1309)



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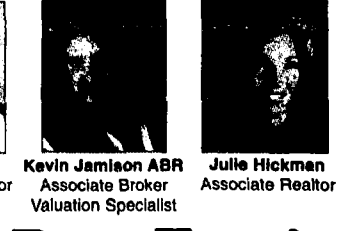
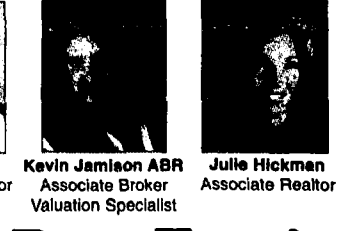
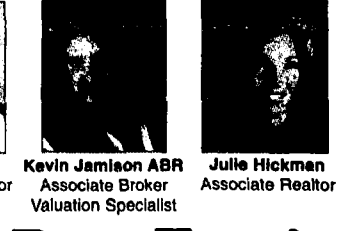
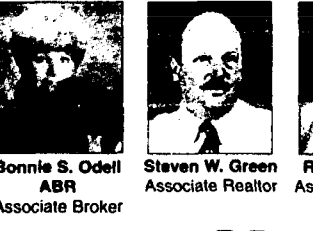
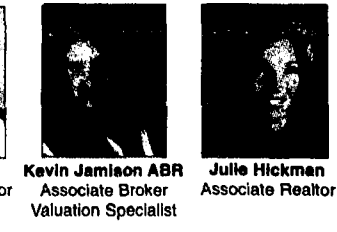
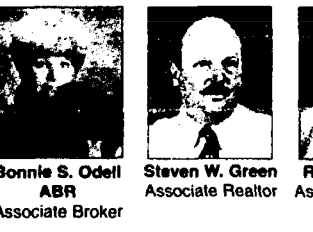
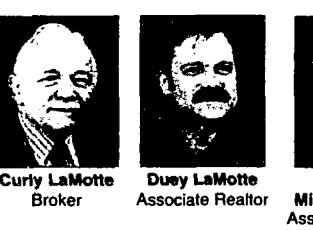


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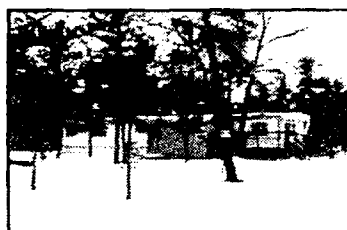
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-9-16/3

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EOE

-9-16/3

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Workforce Development Board and Northeast Michigan Consortium have received a grant to provide School-to-Work activities from October 1, 1999 through September 30, 2000, in the counties of Alcona, Alpena, Cheboygan, Crawford, Montmorency, Oscoda, Otsego and Presque Isle. A total of \$27,800 is available to support individual employment development (career) plans which should be integrated with current Career Preparation efforts. Priority will be given to multi-county proposers with school-to-work experience that demonstrate integration of relevant resources.

Potential proposers may contact Terry L. Basel at Northeast Michigan Consortium, P.O. Box 711, Onaway, Michigan 49765 (517) 733-8548 for information and proposal instructions.

Proposals must be submitted by 12:00 p.m., September 15, 1999, at the Consortium's Onaway office. Late proposals will not be considered.

An Equal Opportunity Program/Employer. Auxiliary aids, services and alternative format will be made available upon request to individuals with disabilities. Michigan Relay Center 1-800-649-3777 (Voice and TDD).

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Affiliated with the Mercy Health Services North Community Healthcare System

MERCY AMICARE HOMECARE & HOSPICE IS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS:

HOSPICE - RN - Contingent, Grayling office. We are looking for an RN to join our licensed Hospice Team on a contingent basis. In this position, one or more years of professional nursing experience is required. Med/Surg or ICU skills desirable. Hospice or Home care experience preferred. Must have well developed assessment skills and enjoy working independently. On-call responsibilities. Excellent wages and mileage reimbursement. Please contact Diane Tomaski, Hospice Clinical Manager.

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FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT THE PERSON LISTED IN INDIVIDUAL AD: 1-800-424-1457/517-348-4383

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PLEASE FAX RESUME TO 517-348-3234 OR MAIL TO PERSON LISTED IN INDIVIDUAL AD: 125 MICHIGAN AVENUE, GRAYLING, MI 49738.

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6. Wanted

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7. Miscellaneous

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LOST Have you seen Bow? Small, dark gray and white male dog. Last seen at Abundant Life Church in town 8/18/99. Needs special food and daily medication. Reward. Call (517) 348-6327, (517) 348-4124 or Grayling Vet (517) 348-8622. (-9/7)

FORMER GRAYLING RESIDENT has written ISBN 0-967278 15-0-9 Jerky My Way A recipe book containing 125 Jerky recipes for alligator, beef, buffalo, fish, hot dog, pork, poultry, seafood, venison, wild game. Price \$20 plus \$3.95 shipping and handling. Ernest J. Forbes, 1013 Fair Avenue, Cassville, MO 65625. (417) 847-5414 (-2-9/7)

8. Announcements

TAP DANCING LESSONS will be offered at the CRAF Center in Roscommon beginning Wednesday, September 22. No experience is necessary. K-3rd grade will meet 3:30-4:00; 4th grade and up 4:00-4:30; adults 4:30-5:00. The cost is \$5 per lesson. Registration will be taken by Judy at 517-348-8933 evenings and weekends, or at the CRAF Center 517-275-4975 weekdays. (-2-9/8)

WEDNESDAY NIGHT is Steak Night at The Sawmill from 4-9 for \$4.99. (5/27/99tf/8)

Answers

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8. Announcements

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY Craft Show October 2 at American Legion Auxiliary Hall, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (-2-9-16-23/8)

COME EARLY TO SPIKE'S Friday night fish fry. Serving from 4 - 10 p.m. All you can eat just \$6.95. Kids portion also available. (7/30/98tf/8)

Grayling Eagles Aux. 3465

Ninth Annual Craft & Bake Sale! November 20th 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Tables available Call 344-1088

9. Personals

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DOLLY, MY NEW FLAME is Chad Link. Love, Sidney Suen Tue. (-9/9) **BETTY G.** place all repeat, all belongings on Porch 122. (-9/9)

PLEASE HELP ANYONE who had problems with Camp Host at Kneff Lake last summer. Please call 517-348-0153. (-9/9)

Our ANTZ is a Teenager!

Happy 13th Birthday September 8th



Love - Mom, Dave, Grandma & Grandpa

-9. Personals

David Moggo is 50! HAPPY BIRTHDAY September 9th To our good ole boy.



Love "Yer" Girls

10. Garage Sales

ESTATE SALE Many quality items. 1875 Ole Dam Road, Fri.-Sat., Sept. 10-11. Crystal, leaded glass, pewter, blender, new mixer, casseroles, tableware, dishes, electric fry pan, blankets, new winter jackets, jewelry, Franklin mint circus carousel, near new 40 gal. water heater, new step stool, etc., etc. (-9/10)

FOUR FAMILY GARAGE SALE Fri.-Sat. Sept. 10, 11, 9-2. Baby clothes, newborn to toddler. Baskets, furniture, T.V., truck cover for short box, patio door, frame, screen, baby stuff, toys, bassinets, miscellaneous items. More baby stuff from twins, new white bunk beds, single top, full bottom, mattresses, clothes, pillows, etc. Eight miles on M-72 West 1 1/2 miles south on Riverview Rd, gray house. (-9/10)

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THREE FAMILY GARAGE SALE Baby thru plus size clothes, electronics, furniture and household items. Fri., Sat., 9-5, 604 Glenwood Court at light by high school. (-9/10)

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10. Garage Sales

TWO FAMILY GARAGE SALE Friday, September 10, Saturday, September 11. 9-4. Sporting goods and household. 1007 Ogemaw, corner of Rose and Ogemaw. (-9/10)

SAT., AND SUN. (11 and 12). 15477 Oak Dr. SE. 72 West past Shel Haven. Follow signs. Baby items, kids clothes, phones, word processor, 1987 Dodge Caravan, lots more. 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., no early birds please. (-9/10)



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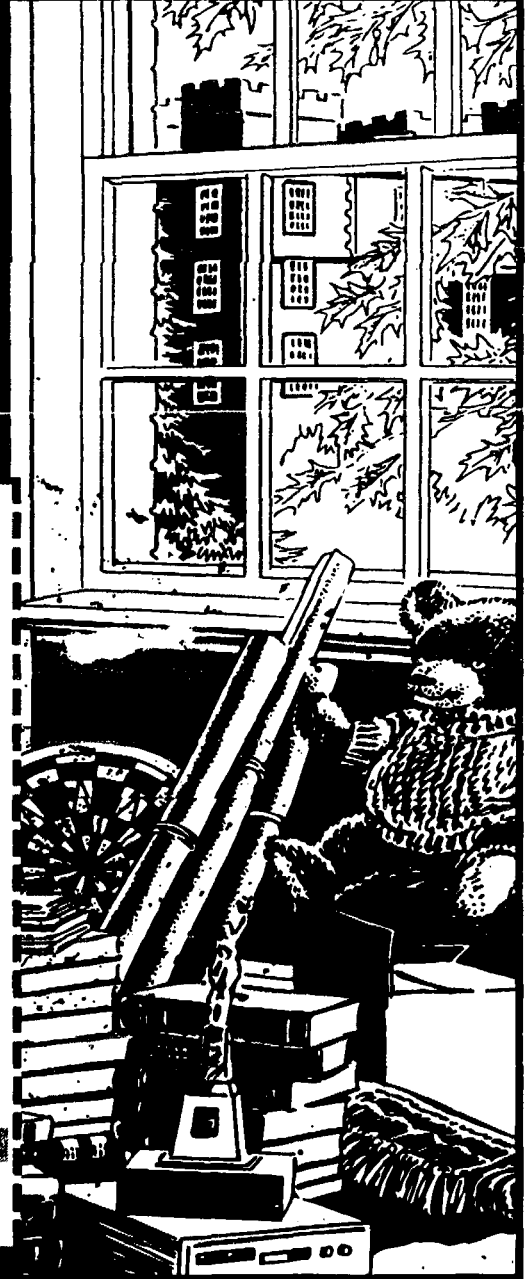
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